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## A Letter From The President

To: All Councils And Teams Of REACT International

As we prepare for the forthcoming Convention in Spokane, I am now preparing the agenda to include discussions on these varied points:

a. Board Restructure: Several avenues of restructuring have been worked on over the past two years, unfortunately it was not addressed last year but will be addressed this year. One approach was to reduce the number of Field Directors, or reduce a combination of Field and At-Large, or reduce the At-Large and have an Advisory At-Large, or an overall reduction of both and have additional advisory positions in both categories. These are only a few of the possibilities, and others surely will be addressed.

b. Membership and Dues Restructure: Numerous ideas have been formulated in this area, such as overall reductions, combination class reductions and even individual structures.

c. The REACTer: Several areas have been investigated and recommended such as elimination of two issues for a total of four, and followed up with monthly newsletters in the interim. Another was to separate the REACTer from the dues structure and operate it in a subscription basis. I'm sure each of you may have other ideas.

d. Contests: Contest promotions have been reviewed, and some feel we may want to offer prizes to individuals for their endeavors, others have suggested possible multiple dues awards for their efforts.

e. Voting: Changes in the voting procedures have been addressed. Some of the ideas include individual votes for each member, others suggested one Team, one vote, and others suggested Council votes with various approaches.

f. Supply Items: The supply items cost a lot of money to maintain. Do we need to maintain as many items as we presently have or can we reduce this inventory substantially to free inventory funds. Are there items we need to add or replace?

g. Where are we going?: Just where do we want to go with the overall organization. Keeping in mind we can continue to monitor channel 9, but we need to enlarge our programs and our emphasis. What is your idea???

This will be the FIRST Convention that we will have ample scheduled time for open discussions. The open discussions are NOT limited to those noted above, any and all items will be discussed.

YOUR Board has been working for YOU this past year in spite of some of the turmoil created through varied avenues. I personally feel we need to address these areas, and they should have been addressed sooner.

With the changes in the office personnel and the recent resignation, I can only advise you it was and is an employer/employee situation of which we the Board, and I as President cannot discuss at this time.

The various overviews of the Association Management proposals were blown completely out of context. I must advise all of you in the beginning of the REACT program we operated as an association management firm would operate. When Stevens-Kirkland-Kreer for REACT was operational, all items were done via the R.P. Banks & company in Chicago. For these services we paid a fee to have the assignments accomplished. When Mr. Reese departed, the same avenues were again investigated by Mr. Stone, Mrs. White, and Mr. Seemuth. Unable to identify a management company that would be acceptable to us, we in turn hired Mr. Mayes. As time progressed, as most well managed businesses do, we again felt we needed to investigate this avenue of operation and we solicited several presentations. Prior to any decisions being made, I felt we needed to confirm our thoughts prior to any decisions, and we had a private consultant review our presentations and our current operations. With those areas of operation confirmed, the Board voted to continue with our own staff instead of initiating another management firm. Since then we have been reviewing the overall space requirements needed, and have since advised our Office Manager to pursue additional avenues for our required space. As two Council groups have advised the Board, we would have been negligent if we hadn't investigated alternative methods of operations.

Other areas of Board operation that has been on-going was the completion and mailing of the long awaited Team Management Handbook. The International By-Laws with amendments was distributed to all Teams and Councils.

The Policy and Procedures WILL be distributed at the Convention, and copies will be sent to those who have purchased the Management Handbook. The Field Director Election process was modified per the membership vote, and we have responded to the FCC on items such as the Amateur NO CODE proposal and the Personal Emergency Locator Transmission System, PELTS. We are presently working on possible membership affiliations with the Disable American Veterans association in several states and look forward to more involvement.

Other discussions with several major cellular carriers will bear fruit in the next several months with their cooperation in mailers for REACT in two major cell areas. We hope to be able to enlarge this relationship.

I have recently completed mailing over two hundred solicitation letters to various transportation companies, railroads and associations involved in various aspects of highway and personal safety requesting varied forms of financial and printed assistance. This has NEVER been done before in this magnitude. This was the FIRST year all Councils received gratis materials from International for REACT Month, and I intend to continue that support. We have supplies at no cost to Councils copies of the current TV ad spot soliciting membership, of which Councils can now make available to their Teams. An additional mailing has been made to numerous insurance companies requesting additional support. With the endeavors of the Field Directors several REACT Affiliated Amateur Groups will be participating in the ARRL Field Day activities in June, and this will generate some large publicity programs for the organization, and we hope to show videos of these operations at the Convention.

**I AM RECOMMENDING THAT NO FIRM CHANGES BE MADE AT THIS CONVENTION, AND ALL RECOMMENDATIONS BE SENT TO EACH AND EVERY TEAM FOR THEIR INPUT AND VOTE PRIOR TO ANY IMPLEMENTATION.**

I am also recommending to each of you to submit your ideas to any of the Board members as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days prior to convention date. For Teams and Councils attending the Convention, I hope each of you bring with you your ideas and recommendations for discussion. For those who cannot attend, please send your materials as soon as possible.

I can sincerely tell you this Board has been as open, and in most cases more open than any other in recent years. Our record has been good, every item ever promised has been delivered within the time frames promised, and if a deadline was going to be missed you were advised.

I and the Board have been working for you, please help us to help you and send us your constructive recommendations.

James E. Bear, President

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## ANNOUNCING

### The 1989 winners of the K40 REACT Achievement Awards

#### THIRD QUARTER

##### INDIVIDUAL

Carl W. Attwood, Jr., from Harrison County REACT #3327 has monitored 312 hours in the last year. He has also attended 12 out of 12 Team meetings in the same time period. Besides his regular monitoring hours, Carl was also able to put in an additional 1962 hours in the preparation of the Teams new headquarters. Carl installed all the plumbing to include two new bathrooms, installed the kitchen appliances, acquired the stove and soft drink machines, he also did some carpentry work as well as the electrical work to include a P.A. system. Besides getting the new headquarters in shape, Carl also set up and worked several fundraisers for the Team.

##### TEAM

No Team nominations were submitted.

#### FOURTH QUARTER

##### INDIVIDUAL & ANNUAL WINNER

Harry Glasgow from Seattle REACT #2503 monitors from early morning until late in the evening. In the last 12 months he put in 3328.50 hours monitoring. He has been a charter member since February of 1974. Harry has attended Washington State REACT Meetings from 1979 to 1989, of which two was within the past 12 months. He has also attended International REACT meetings in Calgary, Canada, 1986 and Racine, Wisconsin in 1989. He has also attended several regional meetings including Seattle 1982, Tacoma 1983 and 1984, Everett 1986, Tacoma 1987, Everett 1988 and Bremerton 1989.

In 1987, Harry was recognized for Outstanding Contributions of "Making a Difference" sponsored by Metro Center YMCA, Pacific N.W. Bell, and King 5 TV, a honor award to citizens who do outstanding volunteer work for community activities.

Harry has participated in Safety Breaks at Silver Lake Rest Stop 1982-1984; at Roosevelt Rest Area 1985 to the present. In 1986, he was presented with a plaque from Washington State

#### On The Cover...

Located in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, Roanoke Valley REACT Team #2166 served people from all over the country at its' three holiday Safety Breaks held during the summer months of 1989.

The Teams trailer was located at the Ironto Rest Area about 20 miles south of Roanoke on I-81. Four day breaks were held over Memorial and Labor Day weekends and a five day break over the Fourth of July weekend. The trailer was manned 24 hours a day by the 19 members of the REACT Team

Patrol in recognition of distinguished and devoted service.

##### TEAM

United Valley REACT Team, Inc., #2141 had a record number of attendees at the Team meetings, 62 per quarter out of a total of 22 registered Team members, they also attended the last four State Council meetings held. The Team has actively participated with the Western Regional REACT Team Meetings.

Besides averaging 90% membership participation in their team members they are active in the Pennsylvania Council and an asset to the community. Not only is the Team active in the local NVOAD meetings and planning in the local area, but also works very closely with the Salvation Army, Red Cross and the County Emergency Management office.

They are also active in local community activities including 28 public service activities for the benefit of the citizenry of Beaver County. The Team has been one of the main ingredients in the planning of, and testing of emergency warning systems in cooperation with the Dequense Light and Power Company and has been active in the Haz-Mat training programs.

For its' continuing community involvement and service to its citizenry, the Team was recently honored by free publicity in their local news media, using the front page, a double center fold section and an additional page, to inform the community of the fine services and membership dedication of this Team and its members.

#### ANNUAL TEAM WINNER - Lake Palestine REACT #3129

##### COUNCILS

No Council nominations were submitted.

NOTE: It is with regret that we end this past year with sadness. Our dear friend and fellow Team judge, Curtiss Bell passed away, March 21. I know we will all miss him. I have temporarily asked Judy Bell to continue in Curtiss's place.

supplemented by members of the Board of Directors of the Southwest Virginia Safety Council.

More than 7600 people took a safety break and were served coffee, tea, lemonade, hotdogs and ham biscuits. The rest area is a major stop for 18 wheelers and it was gratifying to hear the truckers on channel 19 to tell motorists to stop by for some really good coffee. Motorists from California, Texas and the New England states, Florida, New Mexico and other areas signed the registration book.



## TREASURERS REPORT 1989



Gregory J. Seemuth, CPP Treasurer

It is now about mid-1990, the independent auditor's report is complete. Please take a few minutes to review the details that are in this issue of the REACTer.

As your Treasurer this article will cover many important issues. If you read the entire article you will have a wealth of information; if you don't you won't know what you missed.

During 1989 REACT's total revenue dropped by \$2,441.00 from 1988. This does not appear to be much of a change; however, our dues income (U.S & Canada) dropped by \$8,237.00. Our life members did not increase sufficiently to account for the drop.

Our income from international teams (England, Sweden, Puerto Rico, Mexico, etc.) have remained stable. The affiliate program has grown to approximately 400 members. These two areas of membership has kept the overall dues increase to a decrease of only \$3,636.00.

Revenue from other areas increased by \$1,195.00. At the convention in July of 1989, those present voted to sell the name of our members in the form of a mailing list. Well, Ron Mayes was able to produce income from this of \$1,416.00. With our membership so low the potential sales for the mailing list are few.

Another area of revenue that showed great increase was in our commissions from the sale of REACT apparel (\$1,933.00 increase). This increase was due to the change in jackets, etc that Ron was able to secure. Real top quality and good looking items. If Ron had not work with several different vendors to provide cost and style options we may not of come with what we have today.

Expenses for REACT increased by \$8,360.00 or 4.3% from 1988. This increase is within expected limits with costs constantly rising in all areas. However, let me discuss some selected

expenses that made up a large portion of the increase and were planned for in the budget.

In early 1989 your Board voted to do a membership survey of some of the current membership and some of the prior membership. The purpose was to determine information that would help us serve you better and identify reason for membership loss. This survey was conducted by an outside company who specialized in this type of work. They developed the survey questions, did the mailing, and compiled the results. For this work we paid only \$5,444.00 and received a value much greater back. Bob Stone and Ron Mayes spent much time finding the company that did the work and reviewing their questions to make sure the survey did what we wanted.

Results from the survey have been published in prior issues of the REACTer and discussed at the last convention. We did learn in the survey that membership loss was due to many different reason and that a large majority would return if things on the teams or in REACT changed. The Board has taken this survey into account making plans for the future.

Expenses for responding to the ad that appeared in Modern Maturity were not budgeted for as we were unaware that was going to happen. Ron McCracken and the public relation committee did such a fine job that we had to respond to an excess of 25,000 queries. We were forced to hire additional help to reply to the people. We did have a cost saving in the fact the pamphlet GETTING HELP BY CB that was mailed to each person was donated to REACT by ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY. We owe a big round of thanks to Allstate for their contribution.

We have been informed by several other publications that they are running a similar article even NOVAD has put it out. Again, in 1990 we will have exposure that is great and not seen in many years. To Ron McCracken and his committee thanks for the exposure and keep up the good work.

Taking into account the above two items our expenses did not increase over 1988. But those expenses were to help us determine information about ourselves, provide information to individuals about us and how to report emergencies, and helped to increase our affiliate program membership.

Our overall financial position for 1989 was a deficient of \$9,339.00. Most of which resulted from the responses to the various articles and the survey that was conducted. Otherwise, expense items have been under constant evaluation at all time.

This resulted in the minimal increase that we did have and not a larger increase.

In 1989 Bob Stone, an At-Large Board

member, was able to contact an individual who donated a computer system to REACT. This equipment helped upgrade our office operation with improved data processing equipment. As, Bob was able to secure a second computer at cost. We owe Bob Stone a big thanks for his work in the area and also, a thank you to, Computer Store & More, Inc., from Berryville, Arkansas for their generous donation of computer equipment.

Yes, 1989 was a year in which our expenses exceeded revenue for the first time in several years. What will 1990 bring? That's a good question. As of March our membership figures were down 28%. A reduction in expenses is expected with the change to an office manager. But at this point it is hard to tell what it will be like by the end of the year.

REACT is at a point in it history that require some major decisions to be made. The decisions revolve around what REACT is to be in the 1990's and on. Have we got something that will make our organization unique and able to survive or not? Once we figure that out we will need to find a way to get there.

In deciding how we get to where we want to be all avenues must be reviewed. Can we do what is necessary ourselves? Do we secure a management firm, who can do most of the work from one central point? Today, we your Board don't have all the answers, but we are looking at all the various items. Unless we do this we have not provided the proper management that you appointed us to the Board to do.

Your Board has not made any decisions on going to a management firm, but we are evaluating what one could do for us and what it would cost. This will be compared to what can be done with our current form of management. However, our current form of management has advantages a management firm doesn't. We must investigate this area to be able to make some type of decision and to be able to provide you if necessary full details on what management firms can do. Once information is prepared if we feel it is a possible alternative that should be considered we will be able to present it to you. Remember we are only evaluating this information and you may never have to worry as we may not find it to be cost effective.

Other areas REACT has been handling during the past year has been the following:

1. Team Management Handbook's are complete and have been distributed as necessary. Ron Mayes put in many hours to complete the material and secure a cost effective printing contract.

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2. REACTer quality maintained and cost reduced through use of a new printer.

3. Government contacts expanded with the appointment of Stu Meyer as our newest At-large Director.

Contributions of material or services to REACT

- AAA Magazine
- Allstate Insurance Company
- Best Western Travel Guide & Road Atlas
- Family Motor Coaching
- Mobile Communications
- Modern Maturity
- Motor Home
- Popular Communications
- Popular Science
- Computer Store & More, Inc.
- And all REACT Teams and Councils who have donated cash or time during the past year

Now, for some other items that needs your input.

1. In this issue is a list of candidates running for two Board positions. Based on your team's voting, two candidates will serve you for two years as members of the Board of Directors. Yes, your vote counts. Your team can vote for up to two (2) individuals so take time to read the candidates statements and attend the team meeting when your team selects its' choices. Record your selections, secure the proper signatures, place them in the envelopes properly, and mail to insure receipt by the required due date. Exercise your benefit to select field directors, for if your team doesn't vote you lost your voice in electing who will represent you for the next two years.

**I HOPE EACH TEAM VOTES AND WE HAVE FOR THE FIRST TIME 100% RESPONSE.**

2 At the last convention the Council requested a review of the renewal date. I stated it would be evaluated and it has. At the February meeting I presented my recommendation and the Board accepted it. Therefore, it will be presented during the next convention to those present for their approval. If approved then a mail ballot to each team will be sent for the final vote on the change.

The proposal made was the following:

Membership renewal to change from a 1/01 date each year to a 10/01 date each year.

Change will become effective 10/01/93.

Change in dues must be made at the convention one (1) year prior to the effective date of the increase. For example, dues is to increase to twenty

(20) dollars. Board must approve during the convention in 1992 to make it effective for the renewal period that starts in 1993 (October).

If the proposal is approved during the convention then a mail ballot will be sent to each Team (Councils will not vote) for final voting. Based upon a total of fifty-one (51) percent positive votes the change would take place. The fifty-one (51) percent is of all Teams not just the ones returning the ballots. Those that do not return the ballot will be considered as a vote against the change in renewal period.

If accepted by the membership the renewals mailed out for 1992 would cover the period from 1/01/92 through 9/30/93 or twenty-one months. The dues would be equal to one full year plus three-fourths of another year. The reason for the extended period is to insure that only one renewal cycle is processed in any given year. Processing renewals is expensive and we do not want to incur that cost twice in any given year. But remember, a dues increase cannot be created then until 1993 at the earliest.

If the convention votes to proceed then make sure your Team exercises its' right to vote for or against the change. Yes, if your Team is against it and does not return the ballot it is a no vote but wouldn't it be better to return the vote against and have formally recorded your vote?

3. I would like to hear if we should continue selling REACT items such as stationary, envelopes, and the like that are stocked at the office. If some should be discontinued let us know. Each item maintained for sale requires cash to be tied up until the goods are sold.

4. Currently, we provide some benefits with your membership. What do you think about these? What benefits would you like to see if we could provide them? Again, your input is requested.

5. A recommendation was given to the membership committee for review concerning the reimbursements made to

Councils. I have suggested that the reimbursement be based upon the Teams that actually accept the Council and vote to participate in the Council. This would result in the Council having to submit copies of minutes from the Teams they claim showing the Team's vote to participate. (For example, a Council today covers a state that has 40 teams but only 10 work with the Council, the reimbursement is based on 40 teams. With my recommendation the reimbursement would be based only on the 10 teams based on valid minutes). Contact your field directors or myself with your teams opinion.

6. A recommendation was also given to the membership on Council voting. This was to require that any Council voting during convention must indicate the number of teams they represent and the number present at the convention and voting on their own. This would provide insight into what the Council vote really means. Again, using the example above and all 10 teams are at the Convention the Council vote is meaningless. Actually, I feel the Council vote should be discontinued. The purpose of a Council as I see it is to provide a means for teams to get together and share ideas, programs and train newer teams, not to control or govern the teams. What does your Team think?

Here is your chance to tell us, the Board, what you think, who you want to serve on the Board, and what you feel we need to do in certain areas. Yes, this was a long article and I hope you made it to this point, because you now have a lot of information and a chance to comment on some important items.

Hope to see many of you at the Convention in SPOKANE, WASHINGTON in July and there will be time to ask questions if you want to. As in the past I try to make myself available as much as possible, but you must remember the Board is functioning during the same time as we get together and only one other time each year.

**Make Your Vote  
COUNT.  
Mail your ballot early.  
Deadline July 20, 1990.**



## James E. Bear

Lancaster County REACT Team, Inc.  
#C-130  
Lancaster, Pennsylvania

**OCCUPATION:**  
Transportation Inventory Services

**PERSONAL DATA:**  
Age 56; married; 2 sons, 1 daughter

**EDUCATION:**  
Associate Degree in Business  
Management with Transportation Major,  
Pennsylvania State University

**REACT HISTORY**  
Joined REACT in 1961. Served Team  
offices as Newsletter Chairman, Publicity  
Chairman, Membership Chairman,  
Equipment Procurement Officer, Ways &  
Means Chairman, President, 1972-1988.  
Served State offices as Council President  
1975-1988. Served International  
offices/Forum/Task Force Group as Forum  
Vice President for 2 terms, Team  
Management TG Chairman, Financial  
Resources TG Chairman 1985-1987,  
Field Director and President 1989-1990.

**OTHER AFFILIATIONS:**  
Member of APCCO and Pennsylvania  
Chapter; Past President and State  
Director, Pennsylvania Jaycees; Recipient  
of the "Jaycee of the Year" Award; Past  
Commander American Legion, Sal #34;  
other offices held were Vice President,  
Treasurer, and Director; Member of the  
Fraternal Order of Police, Red Rose  
Lodge; member of the ARRL & President  
of the PA Amateur Radio Club; Member of  
the Lancaster County Firemen's  
Association and Assistant Engineer in  
Volunteer Fire Police Association;  
Member of the Lancaster County  
Emergency Management Radiological  
Team, Coordinator for CB and Amateur  
Communications Coordination, Commu-  
nications Liaison for American Red Cross;  
Member, Marine Corps Association;  
Recipient of the City of Lancaster Mayors  
Award for Community Involvement and  
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## Jacki MacDonald

Waukesha Area REACT Team, Inc. #4089  
Pewaukee, Wisconsin

**OCCUPATION:**  
Systems' Analyst

**PERSONAL DATA:**  
Age 46; married

**EDUCATION:**  
Master's Degree, Reinsseleer Polytechnic  
Institute

**REACT HISTORY:**  
Joined REACT in 1978. Waukesha Area  
REACT and previously with Kettle  
Moraine REACT. Served Team offices as  
Secretary, and President. Council offices  
held include Secretary, 2nd Vice President  
and President. Served International  
offices/Forum Secretary/Computer Task  
Group and Co-Chairman.

**NOMINEE STATEMENT:**  
Over the last 12 years, I have seen many  
changes in REACT, both positive and  
negative. For the past few years, the  
changes were very positive. International  
was giving the membership the  
information to make choices about their  
future. Unfortunately, this changed during  
the past year. It appears that some  
members of the current board feel that the  
Teams and membership should not have  
a say in matters that concern them.

I feel strongly that International exists  
because of the Teams, the Teams do not  
exist because of International. It is  
extremely important for the Teams to have  
a say in matters that directly concern them.  
Not every member will be happy with all  
Board decisions. However, if the  
membership can express their feelings and  
give their suggestions, they will at least feel  
a part of the decision making process.

It has been shown that when all facts  
are given, the membership has a chance  
to offer suggestions and opinions about  
items that concern them. I cannot and will  
not promise that every decision I make as  
a Board member will satisfy everyone.

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## Ronald O. Mayes

Sedgwick County REACT Team, Inc.  
#4208  
Wichita, Kansas

**OCCUPATION:**  
Management/Marketing

**PERSONAL DATA:**  
Age 35; married, 1 son, 1 daughter

**EDUCATION:**  
BA in Business Administration, AS in  
Legal Assistance Degree and Non-profit  
Management Certification Program;  
Wichita State University. Marketing and  
Management; Butler County Community  
College

**REACT HISTORY:**  
Joined in 1976. Sedgwick County REACT  
Team #4208 and previously with Wichita  
REACT Team #C-99. Served as President,  
Team Coordinator, Public Relations &  
Membership, Sub-Team Captain and Board  
member. Served as President of the  
Kansas State REACT Council. International  
offices/Convention Committee/Chaired  
Convention/Board Member.

**OTHER AFFILIATIONS:**  
Administrative Management Society,  
American Red Cross (multiple training,  
disaster response), American Society of  
Association Executives (ASAE), American  
Radio Relay League (ARRL), Boy Scouts  
of America - Eagle rank with palms,  
Assistant Scoutmaster Troop and Law  
Explorer Post, Quivira Staff, Distributive  
Education Clubs of America (DECA) -  
Third place Nationals and First place  
State competition on marketing and  
management. Listed in Directory of  
Experts, Authorities & Spokespersons -  
Emergency Communications. Listed in  
Who's Who in Association Management.  
Life member of National Rifle Association,  
Wichita Area Mopar Association,  
Wichita/Sedgwick County FLASH  
program of the Fire Departments, Wichita  
State University Alumni and Young Men  
Christians Association (YMCA).

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## Robert M. Riechel

REACT of the Golden Gate Area, Inc.  
#C-373  
Daly City, California

**OCCUPATION:**  
Food Processor

**PERSONAL DATA:**  
Age 45; married

**EDUCATION:**  
College Degree

**REACT HISTORY:**  
Joined in 1976. Served Team offices of Secretary, Vice President and President. Held Treasurer position on Council and of PR Task Group.

**NOMINEE STATEMENT:**  
The dedicated, concerned individuals across the nation that are the backbone of our organization are well educated and can make intelligent decisions when presented the facts. The current Board of Directors has NOT seen the importance of communicating to these individuals concerning topics the Board is considering. The Board has not explained to the membership at large the detailed investigation used in making decisions. Nine Directors can NOT know what is best for REACT nationwide on such questions as rechartering, a management company, or letting our General Manager go WITHOUT seeking input from the membership. Our Field Directors are supposed to be the link between the membership and the Board.

I have consistently tried to ask questions of the Field Directors and the Board that I felt should be considered before a decision was made. I feel that the Board must return to the position of seeking membership input. Once a decision is made, they must sell the need for the decision to the membership - not merely stating "This is Required". I will continue to ask for the answers and input from the membership before I cast a vote. If you want REACT to remain a viable

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## Russell Willis

Madison County REACT, Inc. #C-697  
Anderson, Indiana

**OCCUPATION:**  
Assembly Technician

**PERSONAL DATA:**  
Age 37; married, 2 daughters

**EDUCATION:**  
Associate Degree of Science; Mid-America College of Funeral Service

**REACT HISTORY:**  
Joined in 1974. Served as Board member and Communications Director. State Council President, Sub-Council President and 1981 International Convention Chairman. International offices/Council Development Task Group Chairman, Community Services Task Group Chairman, Monitoring T.G. member.

**COMMENTS ON SKILLS OR EXPERIENCE:**  
Served on the Board of Directors of Liberty Christian School, 1978-1985, and as Comptroller in charge of monies, purchases and budgets.

**NOMINEE STATEMENT:**  
This year our organization is at a crossroad. Actions by the current Field Directors during the past year have caused serious concern among REACT members everywhere. Your choice of Field Directors will determine the direction REACT will take in the coming years more so than any previous election.

We were told new programs for the membership were going to be created from the recent dues increase. Where are those programs? Dues increases must be justified and not a knee-jerk reaction.

Recently the Field Directors put into place a process that will bring about radical change in the International Headquarters. The proposal to hire a management firm to conduct the business of REACT is not in the best interests of the total membership. Why did the Board

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## Bear *continued*

Services; Director of Explorer Post #130, Boy Scouts of America; Recipient of the Humanitarian Award of the Muscular Dystrophy Association; Recipient of the American Legion "5 Star Award" Spirit of Americanism Award.

**COMMENTS ON SKILLS OR EXPERIENCE:**  
Skills and experience are diversified in policies and administration in military and civilian affairs. Experiences in funding acquisitions for Teams in my own state, administering a financial base within the Jaycee's and amateur organizations, and preparation and publication of training materials for the aforementioned. These successes have led to many gains and benefits for those memberships, and enhanced overall expansions in growth rates. With these experiences I feel I can assist greatly in enrichment of the organization, acquire a broader financial base with varied program implementations and bring benefits to all aspects of the REACT Program, the Board and the membership.

**NOMINEE STATEMENT:**  
Two years ago I first came to you with the statement to follow us to the future, and I haven't changed one bit from that direction or any promises made to the membership. Again, I solicit your support to continue that quest for the events of the Ninety's. And again, I can state to you I have delivered in black and white those areas of materials you requested, specifically the Team Management Notebook, which has recently been completed and is ready for mailing, the total copy of REACT Policies that should be ready for distribution at the Convention, and the updated REACT International Bylaws which have been mailed to each Council and Team. The completion of the Policy Handbook has been a challenge, since it basically consisted of three areas, that of policy, procedure and fantasies. Yes, we do have fantasies in what we think is policy and what is not. When this is completed for the distribution, if I could not validate a formal vote of approval, it was not included under policy, and those items not related to policy were assigned to procedures. The balance were the fantasies, of which we can revisit for the membership approval or disapproval.

I have led the way to open up as much as possible to the membership, however, one must respect the right of the Board to keep some items under wrap until such times as they are prepared properly for presentation. Several items under wrap will be presented for review by the membership at the Convention, and at that time all will have all the facts in one

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## **Bear** \_\_\_\_\_ *continued*

place at the same time, and this will eliminate the rumor mill syndrome.

In the same vein, I have made some bad calls too, but we have taken the necessary steps to eliminate the recurrence and have instituted a system of total reviews prior to any releases that may taint the subject matter. Nominee requirements have been lightened, and the statements of compliance for the IRS requirements have been resolved and will also be presented at the Convention.

The 90's will also create an atmosphere of change and the time to diversify the organization and its purposes. We need to be able to market our product to the general public and the numerous other service and governmental entities that we presently serve or hope to serve. The only way we can accomplish that is to diversify our missions and services provided along with increasing the membership.

I have taken some of those small steps and will present those also at the Convention, however, we are working very closely with several members of the ARRL for possible working and understanding agreements, and I have begun the planning outlines for the possible restructuring of this organization to make our future movements more attractive and viable.

By the time this is printed I will have contacted over two hundred possible funding sources for the organization and not limited to only grant inquiries, but for specific sponsorships for various programs and program presentations and implementations. Only time will tell if we are fruitful in this endeavor. Our public relations approach over the past two years has resulted in over twenty thousand inquires and brought the name REACT to the public mind, and I am presently planning another thrust in the same areas to acquire additional awareness and interest in our organization. I have met with the members of the FCC Commission and voiced our concerns over the problems you have presented to us and we have been warmly accepted and invited to return, which if reelected I intend to do. We have also been working on a special slide presentation for use with such agencies and entities to better explain REACT and its' total overview and purposes.

Additionally, we're planning our approach to the newly announced "PELTS" Program and expect it to be a viable cog in this endeavor, and I have done most of this without great expense to the organization, with the majority borne by me, including numerous weeks of personal vacation and a very high five figure amount to accomplish what has been completed to date.

The organization has operated as close to reasonable financial figures as can be

expected, however, we have exceeded budgeted figures in certain areas, specifically for office computer equipment updates, although we have been able to have one IBM System donated and those unbudgeted items include the additional work station and accessories.

I have attempted to answer your correspondences, especially those that I am aware of and have received, and will continue to do so in the future. This organization isn't done yet, but we need to move quickly and keep pace with technology and get more bang for the buck, which you the membership deserve.

I thank you for your past constructive criticisms and your support, and ask for your continued support to complete our mission for the advancement of the REACT organization.

## **MacDonald** \_\_\_\_\_ *continued*

This is an impossibility. I promise to listen to members and respond to their questions. If a Team or a member wants something brought up to the Board I will be willing to do so. I will strongly support those ideas I agree with, but recognize that the majority decision will hold. I can promise to present ideas, I cannot promise that every idea will be adopted.

By insuring that the Teams have all facts on items which directly concern them and by allowing the Teams to give their input, REACT International will grow. By denying this right, it will flounder. We cannot afford this. IF we are to survive, we must grow. We must recognize Team rights and we must allow the membership to be part of the decision making process. I will do everything in my power to make this happen.

## **Riechel** \_\_\_\_\_ *continued*

organization, as I do, I am not asking that you agree with me on all topics. Just keeping mind that when I cast a vote I will consider your concerns and what is Best for ALL REACT.

If you are one of the dedicated REACTors I mentioned, I ask you to ask your own questions of the candidates, make your intelligent decisions and cast your vote so we can tighten that link.

**May is  
REACT  
Month**

## **Mayes** \_\_\_\_\_ *continued*

### **NOMINEE STATEMENT:**

In 1984 I accepted the nomination to run for the Board of Directors on the basic belief that our organization needed dedicated individuals who would put the good of the organizations' members above their own personal desires and lead REACT to the best of their ability.

I have practiced this belief from 1984 to present by initiating many positive changes to further our program and REACT goals.

These changes included: providing the Team Management Notebook (TMN) to all new Teams and then updating the material in the TMN to make it more useful to today's REACT Team leaders; creating the REACT Affiliate program that has resulted in over 400 people joining existing Teams; initiating new membership drive contests to provide more incentive for Teams to gain new members and renew existing ones; changing our publication the REACTer into a very informative and useful magazine from the tabloid it once was; offer greater benefits to Teams and members.

As the General Manager, I brought the Headquarters office to a higher level of service for members at the most efficient cost possible. I have marketed REACT by initiating the new pamphlet "Getting help by CB radio" and our latest brochure "An invitation to join REACT". These two items alone have been distributed to over 200,000 people through REACT Teams and HQ. Over the past three years REACT Teams and members have seen many new or improved materials from my efforts.

Many Teams and members may not know that as the General Manager I had no vote on the Board of Directors and could not establish or change any policy or position of the Board no matter how much I disagree with them.

What lead me to accept the nomination to run for the Board was my genuine concern for the REACT membership and organization. There are several key issues that are contemplated by our present elected Board members that I do not believe are in our best interests and I stand firmly against. These issues include: using a management company to handle the daily affairs of our organizations' HQ; mandatory Team bylaws; significant changes to REACT Team and Council structures without the input or consent of the Teams and Councils; dues increase beyond reason.

Having been in the unique position of a previous Boardmember and the HQ General Manager, I can assure you that I have the qualifications and insight to represent the best interest of our membership as a Board member. I would appreciate your support and Team vote if you believe in REACT as I do.



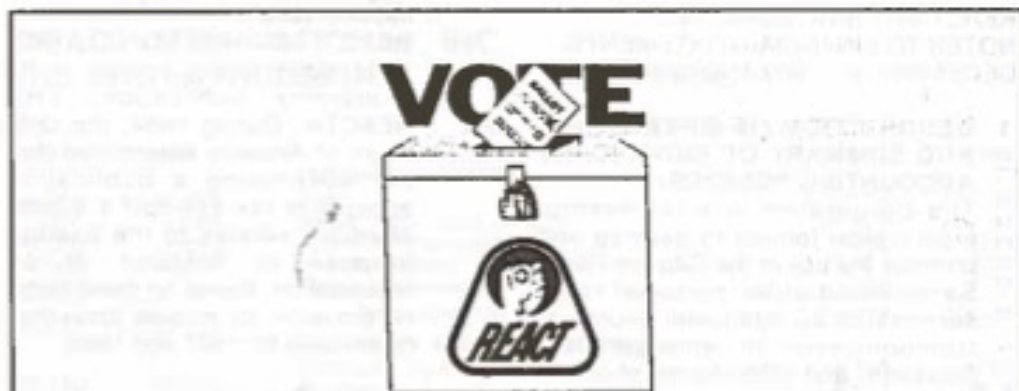
vote to keep this action secret until the process was in place?

Will we continue to tolerate Field Directors who use their position to accomplish their own personal goals? Will we elect Field Directors who have shown a history of working only for what they want and ignoring the voice of the general membership? A Field Director must be able to set aside their personal desires, listen to and represent REACT members from all areas, not just a select group or state.

I believe it is important to build the REACT organization with input from the grassroots membership. It is time decisions are made with the best interest of ALL members as the guideline, not the personal gain of a few. I make no grandstand promises, as others have in the past and not delivered, only that as your representative on the International Board I would welcome your comments and pledge to work WITH you to make this organization the leader in public service it can and should be.

The choice is yours.

## Plan now to attend the 1990 Convention



## HOW TO VOTE

1. At your next Team meeting (regular or special) review the Board candidates qualifications and have your members indicate their choice of candidate(s) to fill the two Board positions up for election/re-election.
2. Mark the official ballot with an "X" by the candidate(s) of choice by your Team. You may vote for one or two candidates on the ballot. **DO NOT** rank the candidates, vote for more than two candidates or make any other marks on your ballot.
3. Insert the ballot in the small enveloped marked "Official Ballot Envelope" and seal it.
4. Insert the small "Official Ballot Envelope" into the pre-addressed election return envelope. **CERTIFY** your Teams vote by completing the **BACK** of the return envelope with your Team number, city, state, number of members participating, date of choice and two Team officer signatures. **NOTE:** If your Team only has one officer, please indicate this on the return envelope so it will not be disqualified.
5. Mail your Team's vote. Use first class mail or faster service. **NOTE:** Ballots must be received by July 20th, 1990 to be counted.

Your Team's vote is kept confidential by the Election Committee. Team voting eligibility is established on the return envelope without knowledge of how you voted. Eligible ballot envelopes are then separated from the return envelope for the counting process.

### Team Events

#3283 N. Whidbey REACT, Oak Harbor, Washington recently answered an usual call. Member 128 answered a skip call from Arizona, at a time, when the skip was extremely heavy; but 128 was able to find out a pickup with a man and two young kids inside had gone off the road on a mountain pass. He obtained all the information he could through the skip, including the phone number of the man's wife.

A call to his home was made with the man's request that the sheriff's search & rescue team be notified. After passing all the information he had to the man's wife, he tried to advise the man that the call had been made. It took several minutes, but finally an acknowledgement was heard. That was the last contact with the caller as the skip changed directions.

Two hours later, a phone call was received from the man's wife. The weather was 20 degrees, snowing and getting worse. The sheriff's search & rescue team

units had located the pickup and occupants and had transported them to safety. The pickup was left where it was, with four feet of it hanging over a cliff. The reporting party didn't want to say anything about the precarious situation for fear that the two kids might panic and cause the truck to slide over the bank. What sounded like a routine car off the road, was really something entirely different.

#3622 Gaudalupe County REACT, San Antonio, Texas has a lot to be celebrating lately. On November 29th, they received a \$2500 grant from H-E-B Grocery Company corporate headquarters in San Antonio. The money has been used to purchase some much need radio gear for their Comm Van.

They have also affiliated themselves with a group of Amateur Volunteer Examiners, (one is currently a member of REACT), and are helping to publicize this service in their community. They make special arrangements for helping persons

with any handicaps to be tested in their own home, or the library.

#2647 Greater Philadelphia Emergency Radio, Erdenheim, Pennsylvania provided BLS services during the Variety Club Telethon, February 3rd through 4th, 1990 at Pennsylvania Hall of the Philadelphia Civic Center. Members Paul Fisher, Scot Rotenbury, Lee Scheerer, Mike Smith, Carl Wertz and Irv Lichtenstein manned the first aid station and communications system. Dr. Jeffery Ettinger and Dr. Susan Ettinger were on site as directors of medical services for the Variety Club.

#2797 McGuire Alert REACT, Browns Mills, New Jersey now has accessibility to two bloodhounds thanks to their owners and fellow REACT members Harlen Simon and Phil Wendt. The Team is very excited about the prospects of having the use of the bloodhounds which will enhance the team's Search and Rescue capabilities.

**1. DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

The Corporation 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.

**a) Inventory**

Inventory is valued at the lower of actual cost or market using the first-in, first-out basis of cost accumulation.

**b) Investments**

At December, 1988, investments consisted of funds in a maximizer account and certificates of deposit. During 1989, the certificates of deposit matured leaving only the maximizer account as the investment.

**c) Property and Equipment**

Property and equipment is recorded at cost with the exception that donated equipment is recorded at its estimated fair market value at the time of donation. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives 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, the accelerated cost recovery system for assets acquired after December 31, 1980 to December 31, 1986, and the straight-line method for assets purchased after December 31, 1986.

**d) Deferred Income - Dues**

Income from dues is being recognized in the year in which it relates. Income received, which pertains to the subsequent year, is credited to a liability account - Deferred dues.

**e) Deferred Life Memberships**

Since the inception of the life membership program, in 1980, \$63,978 has been received. The life membership dues are deferred over 20 years and allows an individual to be a member for his or her life without further dues. There is no obligation on REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC. to refund this money upon termination of the organization.

**f) Income Taxes**

REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC. sells advertising space in its bi-monthly publication, THE REACTer. During 1984, the U.S. Court of Appeals determined that the advertising a publication accepts is tax-exempt, if it substantially relates to the exempt purpose or function of an organization. Based on these facts, no provision for income taxes has been made for 1987 and 1988.

**g) Reclassification**

In 1989, the company reclassified the amounts received for shipping charges on inventory items. In prior years, the amounts were included in gross profit on sale of REACT I.D. material. Currently, the amounts are being offset against postage and freight. The shipping charges in 1989 were \$2,088.31. The shipping charges received in 1988 have not been reclassified since these amounts can not be reasonably determined.

**(2) LEASE COMMITMENTS:**

**Lease agreements for office space**

On October 1, 1989, the Corporation renewed the existing lease agreement with respect to its Wichita, Kansas office for an additional year. The term calls for the company to pay monthly installments of \$625.

**(3) DATA PROCESSING:**

Data processing expenses include services for membership processing, label production and membership card printing.

**(4) BOARD OF DIRECTORS EXPENSES:**

Board of Directors expenses include telephone conferences, expenses incurred in electing board members, travel and subsistence incurred in including attendance at Board of Directors meeting and the annual convention by the Board of Directors.

**(5) INSURANCE:**

The insurance excess account reflects money in excess of membership liability insurance and bonding which REACT International, Inc. has collected. The excess will be used to decrease the membership liability insurance and bonding when the board deems appropriate.

**(6) DONATED EQUIPMENT:**

During 1989, a computer was donated to the Company with a fair market value of \$2,690. The amount is reflected in contributions, as revenue, and computer equipment, as an asset.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Directors  
REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC.:

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC. as of December 31, 1989 and 1988, and the related statements of activity and changes in financial position for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC. at December 31, 1989 and 1988, and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position of the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Lee Cropp & Associates, CPA's

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**— ANNUAL REPORT —**  
**REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC.**  
**FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1989 AND 1988**

**STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITY**

	1989	1988
<b>REVENUES FROM MEMBERS:</b>		
Dues .....	\$ 116,062	\$ 124,299
Team Charters .....	1,971	2,089
Life membership (Note 1) .....	3,070	2,610
International membership .....	4,188	4,476
Affiliate dues .....	5,187	640
Total revenues from members .....	<u>130,478</u>	<u>134,114</u>
<b>OTHER REVENUE AND SUPPORT:</b>		
REACTer advertising income .....	33,140	39,005
REACTer subscriptions .....	568	1,376
Gross profit on sale of REACT I.D. material .....	8,638	5,880
Team contact directory .....	—	2,070
Grants and contributions (note 6) .....	4,540	1,675
Commissions .....	3,367	1,434
Interest income .....	5,074	4,688
Affinity credit card .....	807	201
Legal fund contributions .....	2,024	3,697
Mailing list sale (net) .....	1,416	—
Miscellaneous income .....	1,647	—
Total other revenue and support .....	<u>61,221</u>	<u>60,026</u>
Total revenues and support .....	<u>191,699</u>	<u>194,140</u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
<b>Membership service and communications-</b> <b>Direct membership benefits:</b>		
REACTer .....	49,394	55,147
Elections and special meetings .....	259	1,105
Data processing (Note 3) .....	5,868	11,927
Membership kits .....	2,552	1,663
Team publications and mailings .....	—	2,095
Team charters .....	455	445
Life membership materials .....	1,804	90
Affiliate expenses .....	321	617
Membership materials .....	222	102
Team topics .....	3,564	3,212
Membership advertising .....	6,669	2,501
	<u>71,108</u>	<u>78,904</u>
<b>Membership services and communications-</b> <b>Indirect membership benefits:</b>		
Reimbursement of state councils .....	\$ 1,491	\$ 1,458
Board of Directors expense (Note 4) .....	17,305	16,514
Convention expenses .....	533	—
Postage and freight .....	8,314	11,384
Telephone - long distance to team and members .....	1,723	2,080
Affinity credit card .....	85	78
Membership survey .....	5,444	—
	<u>34,895</u>	<u>31,514</u>
Total membership service and communications expenses .....	<u>106,003</u>	<u>110,418</u>
<b>General and administrative expenses:</b>		
Salaries .....	56,881	51,362
Advertising sales expense .....	—	1,850
Rent and utilities .....	10,105	8,775
Audit and accounting .....	3,470	3,265
Legal .....	3,782	946
Stationery and office supplies .....	3,843	2,334
Insurance .....	4,768	3,368
Headquarters travel .....	1,514	1,574
Maintenance consultant .....	936	462
Management consultant .....	1,319	—
Dues and subscriptions .....	248	215
Payroll taxes .....	4,285	4,126
Depreciation expense .....	2,464	1,040
Telephone .....	977	933
Contract labor .....	452	—
Loss due to obsolete inventory .....	413	—
Miscellaneous expense .....	1,002	586
Total general and administrative expenses .....	<u>95,035</u>	<u>82,260</u>
Total expenses .....	<u>201,038</u>	<u>192,678</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses for the year .....	<u>\$ (9,339)</u>	<u>1,462</u>

**BALANCE SHEETS — ASSETS**

	1989	1988
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>		
Cash .....	\$ 17,156	\$ 30,858
Investments (Note 1) .....	31,970	47,896
Accounts receivable .....	3,982	6,999
Inventory (Note 1) .....	27,721	13,308
Prepaid expenses .....	86	1,778
Total current assets .....	<u>80,915</u>	<u>100,838</u>
<b>PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT,(Note 1):</b>		
Computer equipment (Note 6) .....	4,788	8,355
Furniture and equipment .....	6,574	6,154
Total .....	11,362	14,509
Less-accumulated depreciation .....	3,049	9,864
Property and equipment, net .....	<u>8,313</u>	<u>4,645</u>
<b>SECURITY DEPOSITS</b> .....	<u>1,100</u>	<u>1,100</u>
Total assets .....	<u>\$ 90,328</u>	<u>\$106,583</u>

**LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY**

	1989	1988
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts payable .....	\$ 4,602	\$ 2,695
Deferred income -dues (Note 1) .....	24,387	43,320
Accrued payroll taxes .....	2,536	2,629
Total current liabilities .....	<u>31,525</u>	<u>48,644</u>
<b>LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:</b>		
REACT memorial payments .....	361	261
Life membership directory donations .....	261	261
Insurance excess (Note 5) .....	10,741	8,782
Unearned life membership dues (Note 1) .....	63,978	52,764
Earned life membership dues .....	(15,947)	(12,877)
Total long-term liabilities .....	<u>59,394</u>	<u>49,191</u>
<b>MEMBERS' EQUITY:</b>		
Donated equity .....	1,800	1,800
Fund balance (deficit)		
Balance, beginning of year .....	6,948	5,486
Excess of revenues over expenses for the year .....	(9,339)	1,462
Balance, end of year .....	<u>(2,391)</u>	<u>6,948</u>
Total members' equity .....	<u>(591)</u>	<u>8,748</u>
Total liabilities and members' equity .....	<u>\$ 90,328</u>	<u>\$106,583</u>

**STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION**

	1989	1988
<b>USES OF WORKING CAPITAL:</b>		
<b>Operations:</b>		
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses for the year .....	\$ (9,339)	\$ 1,462
<b>Items not affecting working capital:</b>		
Depreciation expense .....	1,040	2,464
Earned life membership dues .....	(3,070)	(2,610)
Total (used) provided by operations .....	<u>(11,369)</u>	<u>1,316</u>
Additions to property and equipment .....	4,708	580
	<u>(16,077)</u>	<u>736</u>
<b>SOURCES OF WORKING CAPITAL:</b>		
Increase in unearned life memberships .....	11,214	4,173
Increase in insurance excess .....	1,959	8,059
Increase in REACT memorial payments .....	100	261
	<u>13,273</u>	<u>12,493</u>
<b>INCREASE (DECREASE) IN WORKING CAPITAL</b> .....	<u>\$ (2,804)</u>	<u>\$ 13,229</u>
<b>CHANGES IN COMPONENTS OF WORKING CAPITAL:</b>		
<b>Increase (decrease) in current assets:</b>		
Cash and investments .....	\$ (29,628)	\$ (8,299)
Accounts receivable .....	(3,016)	4,446
Inventory .....	14,413	(746)
Prepaid expense .....	(1,692)	1,656
	<u>(19,923)</u>	<u>(2,943)</u>
<b>Increase (decrease) in current liabilities:</b>		
Deferred income-dues .....	(18,933)	(15,523)
Accounts payable .....	1,907	1,287
Accrued payroll taxes .....	(93)	1,064
Accrued bonuses payable .....	—	(3,000)
	<u>(17,119)</u>	<u>(16,172)</u>
<b>INCREASE (DECREASE) IN WORKING CAPITAL</b> .....	<u>\$ (2,804)</u>	<u>\$ 13,229</u>

— See accompanying notes and auditors' report —

## REACT INSURANCE

Do you know the answers to these questions?

- (1) Your Team helps a local charity by providing communications. A passerby comes by your communications center and trips over your antenna coax, breaking his/her arm. Your Team is sued for damages. Are you covered?  
 yes  no
- (2) Your Team wants to hold an information booth at a local shopping mall. The mall wants proof of insurance coverage in the amount of \$1 million. Can you get proof?  
 yes  no
- (3) At your last Team meeting your treasurer reported \$900 in the bank. This meeting they don't show up. A call to the bank reveals you only have \$23.98 after a substantial withdrawal was made. The withdrawal turns out to be dishonest. Are you covered for the loss?  
 yes  no
- (4) During a local Team event your communications officer steps in a hole and breaks his/her foot. Are the hospital bills covered?  
 yes  no
- 5) What about disability income?  
 yes  no

The answers to the above questions one through three are YES you are covered. Question four and five is yes only if the member took out the optional \$5.00 accident insurance policy.

The subject of question one and two deals with the REACT liability insurance policy which provides \$1,000,000 of coverage each year-with no deductibles. If your Team had to find its own individual liability insurance policy, it may have to accept a much lower limit of liability or a large deductible to bring the cost down to the affordable range. Additionally, most meeting facilities and special event premises, such as shopping malls now require organizations using their facilities to have liability insurance coverage. You may find that the required "special events" policy covers your Team and can provide a written certificate of insurance as proof of coverage. Please note you must request the certificate well in advance of your planned meeting or event.

### TEAM LIABILITY COVERAGE WHO IS COVERED?

The Team and every registered (dues paying) member with REACT International

is insured when named in a covered lawsuit for acts committed while working a Team or Council sanctioned event.

Nonregistered members are not covered and Team members acting on their own behalf without Team sanction may not be covered.

### YEAR AROUND PROTECTION

This comprehensive policy automatically provides coverage for lawsuits resulting from bodily injury and property damage at Team-sponsored activities. This includes concession stands, dances, banquets, telethons, auctions, raffles, picnics and meetings to name a few. Coverage could also apply for official Team participation, for example, in a community event.

In addition to the policy limits, the plan also provides complete legal defense and pays the expenses of this defense for covered claims.

The plan reimburses expenses for first aid to others at the time of an accident.

The plan pays up to \$25.00 per day for expenses incurred which are related to the investigation or defense of any claim. It also pays premiums on appeal bonds and bonds to release attachments.

The Team Liability Insurance Plan provides 100% coverage up to \$1,000,000. There are no deductibles. The owners of premises used or rented by the Team can also be named as additional insureds.

### WHAT KIND OF SUITS ARE COVERED?

Suits for bodily injury which occur on the premises or as a result of Team activities.

Suits for damage to property of others resulting from Team activities.

Suits for personal injury, including libel, slander, defamation of character, false arrest, invasion of privacy, detention and malicious prosecution (except for an offense related to membership).

Suits for liability resulting from the sale of foods and beverage or other products.

Suits for Host Liquor liability when alcohol is served at special events and you can be held responsible for guest's actions resulting from intoxication. NOTE: NOT intended to provide Dram Shop coverage.

Suits for contractual liability for responsibilities you may assume under terms of a lease or rental of a room or equipment.

Suits for real or alleged faults in work completed by or for your Team, which result in bodily injury or property damage.

Suits involving the use of automobiles not owned by the Team or its members but used for official Chapter activities.

Suits arising from injury caused by the

rendering or failure to render medical attention, and/or furnishing of drugs and medical supplies.

Suits resulting from fire damage to the premises of (up to \$50,000) any sponsored Team activity.

Defense against such even though the charges made are groundless, false or fraudulent.

### WHAT IS EXCLUDED FROM COVERAGE?

The policy is designed to cover the usual and customary activities of your Team. It does, however, exclude unusual events such as fireworks, rock concerts, carnival and amusement rides, or powered auto, boat, motorcycle, or ski races. Claims arising from activities of any participant in any game, contest, race or sporting event, including practice, are also excluded. The policy also includes standard exclusions including claims for war, nuclear, auto, aircraft, watercraft and professional liability.

Losses involved property in your care, custody or control are also excluded.

### FOR CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE

Provide the name and address of property owner or event organizer, along with details of your Team activity, and date of the event(s) to:

Albert H. Wohlers & Company  
1440 North Northwest Highway  
Park Ridge, IL 60068  
(708) 803 3100

Please provide as much advance notice as possible and do not undertake certificate requests unless required. Abuses of the policy provisions can raise our insurance premiums.

### TEAM BONDING COVERAGE

The dishonesty bonding coverage would cover the circumstances of question three.

Our policy provides up to \$5,000 of protection with a \$100 deductible.

The bond applies to dishonest acts by Team officers who are registered (dues paying) members of REACT International, which result in a loss of Team funds.

Mysterious, unexplainable losses are excluded. Meaning, your Team must be able to show proof of the loss. Keeping your Team financial records up to date and in order is highly recommended.

Because each situation for a possible claim varies, more specifics would be provided about a Team claim by the insurance agent or carrier.

For more information or questions about our liability and bonding insurance coverages, please contact REACT

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## REACT INSURANCE - continued

International or our agent:  
Albert H. Wohlers & Company  
1440 North Northwest Highway  
Park Ridge, IL 60068  
(708) 803-3100

### REACT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

**OUTLINE OF THE PLAN:** Coverage is for death, dismemberment, medical expense, and disability resulting from an accident while on duty for REACT, subject to policy terms. You are considered to be on duty when you are participating in an organized event or activity sponsored by your REACT Team, which is recorded in the Team Log, Meeting Minutes, or Team Bulletins. Special emergency situations are covered when the Team is directed or supervised by agencies responsible for carrying out emergency procedures. You will be covered for travel to and from REACT events including travel in a private passenger vehicle.

**ADDITIONAL EXCLUSIONS:** In addition to regular policy exclusions, this policy will not cover you while entering the sites of fires or explosions, physically assisting in rescue attempts, and any activities conducted as an individual without sanction of the local REACT Team.

**THE COMPANY:** The plan is underwritten by the Life Insurance Company of North America.

**ADMINISTRATOR:** William K.O'Connor is the Administrator of this REACT Plan. All applications and questions should be

directed to him at 50 E. 75th St., Willowbrook, IL 60514.

**PARTICIPATION:** Available to every REACT member in U.S., Canada, and U.S. Territories and Possessions. You will be enrolled under a master contract held in Wichita.

**CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE:** A certificate of insurance will be provided to each Team purchasing the insurance.

#### BENEFITS:

**Accidental Death & Dismemberment-** If injuries result in death or dismemberment within one year after the date of accident, the plan provides the following benefit: Loss of life: \$25,000 Loss of two or more members\* \$25,000 Loss of one member\* \$12,500 \*Member means hand, foot or eye.

Only one benefit, the largest to which you are entitled, is payable for all losses resulting from one accident. **DISABILITY INCOME-** If you are disabled within 30 days of a covered accident, and are unable to perform every duty pertaining to your occupation, the plan will pay \$75.00 a week for up to 52 weeks after a 7-day waiting period.\* \*Disability Income is available only for those gainfully employed, 30 or more hours a week. **Medical Expenses-** If you incur medical expenses due to a covered accident, for treatment by a legally qualified physician or surgeon, confinement in a legally constituted hospital, employment of a trained nurse, X-ray or the use of an ambulance, up to \$2,500 with \$25 deductible. Coverage is in excess of any other insurance benefit or reimbursement.

**BENEFICIARY:** The accidental loss of life indemnity shall be payable in one sum to the first surviving Class of the following: Classes of beneficiaries, otherwise to the Estate of the Insured: wife, husband, children, father, mother, brothers, or sister. If other beneficiary is desired, please notify in writing.

**COVERAGE CONTINUES:** Coverage can be continued until you become 70 years of age unless (1) you otherwise cease to be eligible; or (2) the insurance company declines to renew the insurance of all those who enroll under the plan.

The purpose of this article is to explain the general provisions of REACT's insurance coverage but in no way changes or affects the policy that is actually issued. The Liability and Bonding coverages are provided through the annual TEAM INSURANCE FEE assessed to all North American Continental Teams. The 1990 fee is \$17.00. Participation from ALL REACT TEAMS is needed for us to be able to provide these coverages at such a low cost. This is also one of the major benefits REACT International has to offer through our collective size. Many individual Teams would not be able to afford such insurance on their own and thus would not be able to do many activities they are now performing. Sign up forms are in the April "TEAM Topics" or you may request one from REACT International HQ. Policy period is from May 1, 1990 to April 30, 1991. Cost is \$5.00 per member.

### Team Events

**#2609 Bay Area Emergency Radio REACT, Inc., San Jose, California** issued Distinguished Service Awards to members, Tony Goodman, James Hood and Candy Hood. They were given these awards for forming and completing the coffee and food runs on Highways 17 and 9. The three received donations of coffee and food and took it to the California Highway Patrol, Cal-Trans and the volunteers working on the mountain after the recent earthquake.

**#2869 Evergreen REACT, Inc., Everett, Washington** has a very busy schedule planned already this year. With two Safety Breaks occurring in August, one at Smokey Point, Southbound on August 3rd through 5th and the second August 24th through 26th at the Silver Lake Rest Area. Besides these two, they have also requested approval on two others for the Evergreen Rest Area, the first to be held over Memorial, May 25th through 28th and the second over the Labor Day Holiday, August 31st through September 3rd.

**#C475 Southwestern REACT of San Diego County, Inc., San Diego, California** members attended an annual awards dinner hosted by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention. Of the 20 members in attendance, several received special recognition, Red Flag Coordinator Ron Schwegman received a large framed lithograph of the popular 1984 poster of Smokey the Bear. Other Team members were presented Certificates of Appreciation. John Pfligsten received a plaque for Red Flag Volunteer of the Year, he was also presented a special (good natured) award and certificate for "Gool Up On Patrol", for striking a coyote while on duty. Since the inception of the program in 1973, over 73,000 volunteer hours have been logged. We should all be proud of this Team and it's members on how many hours they volunteer and the quality of the work they do. Also, we all would like to wish this Team a very, very happy anniversary. They celebrated their 24th anniversary in February!

**#4094 Arrostook County REACT, Ashland, Maine** lost their President, Louis R. Bourgoin who passed away on Monday May 19th, 1989. Louis was not only the Team's president, but a guide, spark plug, mentor, teacher and friend. The Team spirit is best expressed in Louis's own words: "Arrostook County REACT was chartered in 1977, with a membership of 11 members, going from Loring, down to Westfield, Mapleton and the surrounding areas. But the whole thing is, dedication to assisting the public in time of need. That is; we want someone who wants to work, we don't need someone to sit by the radio, all we need is someone in case someone comes across the airways (they can) assist them." The Team is retiring Unit #1, to honor the man who brought REACT to the rolling hills of Arrostook County, Maine as well as the challenge set forth in his words. Words that all Teams can truly live by.

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP CORNER

The Life Membership Corner has been relatively quiet since the end of 1989. Following are three members who are being welcomed to Life Membership.

Robert K. Leaf LM 453  
Orange County REACT  
Garden Grove, CA

Charles R. Bulton LM 454  
Bell County REACT  
Belton, TX

Robert E. Huneycutt LM 455  
Northern Virginia REACT  
Arlington, VA

Currently, work is underway to have a Life Membership Directory available for the Convention in Spokane. Initial research reveals that your current Life Membership Chairman will not be able to get the Directory printed as inexpensively as before. If anyone (Life Member, Team, or Council) wishes to contribute toward the printing, please send you donation to: Dick Cooper, Life Membership Chairman, P.O. Box 9898, Trenton, NJ.

Following is a subject that should be of interest and concern to all REACTers and especially Life Members since this is your column. The Task Groups and Committees of REACT International must work together for the continuation of all programs. The Awards and Recognition Committee is having a lot of trouble. The Committee has enough members to evaluate nominations, as a matter of fact there are more Committee members than nominations- even if you add up Individual, Team and Council nominations. Life Members are those members who have exhibited their belief in the REACT goals and ideals, and quite often these same members are exceptional workers on the Team and/or Council level. In case you may have missed all of the publicity concerning the K40 Awards that are given each year at the REACT International Convention, please read on.

The K40 Awards are given in recognition of exceptional Individuals, Teams and Councils within REACT. The Individual and Team awards are given on a quarterly and annual basis while the Council award is annual only. The quarterly winners receive a plaque and \$100 and are placed into competition for annual winners. The annual winners receive a trophy and \$500 (awarded at the International Convention). The annual Individual winner and a representative of the annual Team and Council winners also receive expenses paid to the Convention to receive their award. Nominations for the past few years would indicate that there aren't too many exceptional Individuals, Teams or

Councils. As previously stated, there have been more Committee members than nominations. Personally, I think that there are hundreds of nominations that can be made but aren't. WHY???????

I am proud to state that I won the K40 individual Award in 1987, I was President of Hamilton-Mercer REACT in 1988 when the Team won the K40 Team Award and I was President of the Council in 1988 when the Council won the K40 Council Award. Not only was it a privilege to be selected from other nominations, but the financial rewards were very helpful in the continuation, of the work of the Team and Council. The Team used the award money to purchase a Command Post for use at events.

The nominations are very easy to submit. Anyone who is recognized on a local level and deserves further recognition can be submitted. Send nominations to: Jerry Parker, Awards and Recognition Committee, 711 Whitmore, Anderson, IN., 46012. Do you know an Individual, Team or Council that deserves recognition, if so then write to Jerry for a nomination form today.

Let's see more nominations from REACTers. It has long been said that REACTers never toot their own horns, but why not. The opportunity is there so take it.

Dick Cooper  
Life Member #329

### CORRECTION ON LIFE MEMBER CORNER

There was an error in the submission of one new life member in the March/April issue of the REACTer. Darlene Luebben LM 430 was listed as a member of Tri-City REACT in Trenton, NJ. Her correct information is listed below. Our sincere apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Darlene Luebben LM 430  
Tri-City REACT  
Lakewood, CA

## Calendar of Events

**July 15, 1990 Michigan REACT Council Meeting** to be held in Alma, MI. For further information contact: Linda Dickerson at 313/681-3728.

**July 7, 1990 Swapfest '90** - The South Milwaukee Amateur Radio Club, Inc., American Legion Post 434. On Shepard Ave. between Puetz road and Ryan road in Oak Creek, opens at 7:00 a.m. For further details contact: 203/628-0218.

**July 23-26, 1990 REACT International Convention.** Spokane, Washington, USA. Details in this issue.

**October 13, 1990 Minnesota REACT Team Council Annual State Meeting/Convention.** For more information contact: Jim McCarthy, 723 S. Water St., #209, Excelsior, MN 55331.

### Other Events

**June 21, 1990 1st Day of Summer**

**June 22-24, 1990 National Top 20 Jamboree/C.B. Jamboree of the Year.** To be held at the Monroe County Fairgrounds, Bloomington, Indiana. For further details please contact: VIP CB Club, Box 131, Clear Creek, Indiana 47426.

**July 4, 1990 Independence Day**

**EDITORS NOTE:** Councils please provide notice of your meetings and conferences to the REACTer for inclusion under this column. Please submit meeting date, place, time particulars and a FMI contact. Provide this information as far in advance as possible. It's your opportunity to announce your event!

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND  
1990 REACT International  
Convention  
Spokane, Washington**



## Publicizing REACT

form the following that you might desire to consider for your newspaper exchange program: The Sedgwick County Monitor, Helen O'Grady Editor, P.O. Box 62, Wichita, KS 67201; The Wisconsin REACTer, Jacki MacDonald Editor, P.O. Box 228, Pewaukee, WI 53072; The Waukesha REACTer, Jacki MacDonald Editor, W271 S4094 Overlook Lane, Waukesha, WI 53188; Southwestern REACTer, John Pflingsten Editor, P.O. Box 4554, San Diego, CA 92104; The Sooners REACTer, Gayland Kitch Editor, 2057- G West Lindsey, Norman, OK 73069; Minnesota Quarterly, Paul Bachman Editor, P.O. Box 561, Hopkins, MN 55343 & Ohio REACTion, Norm & Milred Meine, P.O. Box 726, Antwerp, OH 45813-0726.

The above newspapers use a variety of programs & printing methods to put out good newspapers. A few have changed to newer computer programs resulting in much crisper looking copy.

While I was recently in Corsicana, Texas attending Mr. Curtis Bell Jr's funeral, I was pleased to meet Debbie Trammell, Editor of Lake Palestine REACT, who had asked me to share her desire to exchange their team newspaper. She advised me that they were beginning to receive exchange papers and she looks forward to the input these can give her in the publication of the Lake Palestine paper.

If you would like to exchange your newspaper or would like to receive other Team or Council newspapers, drop this

column a note so stating which and your Editor's full name and address including ZIP CODE. This column will attempt to publish as many as I can to help YOU expand this newspaper exchange.

Publicizing REACT Column  
Robert M. Riechel  
P.O. Box 563  
San Bruno, CA 94066-0563

Now is the time to start watching for the newspaper judging entry form coming from International. The main reason to enter this judging is not that of winning the judging; it is to allow your newspapers to be reviewed by other REACTors and local newspaper persons and being able to receive their input. This input should allow the editors to consider possible changes that might make their papers just a little better. Also, doesn't every editor in a small way desire comments from others in the newspaper field or in other REACT Teams. Finally, all submissions are put out for review by ALL attendees at the Thursday night banquet. Plan to attend the convention & plan to spend time reviewing the submissions.

It was a pleasure to see the support given to Judy Bell recently at Curtis's funeral by the REACT family from within the state of Texas as well as by REACTors from out of the state. Curtis was highly respected in the Corsicana, Texas area as a REACTor as was shown by the various local dignitaries in attendance at his funeral.

## TV OR NOT TV

by Ron McCracken

A tip 'o the PR hat to BAER REACT, San Jose, CA. One of its Team members took an introductory course in television production. As part of her course, she made a 60-second PSA for TV with the help of some of her, REACT Team mates.

So good was the final product that three (3) local TV stations are airing it for REACT. Check your Team. Have you someone with TV training or who enjoys making videos? What worked for BAER can work for your Team too.

## Newsletter Exchange

by Robert Riechel

I have received requests from the following newspaper editors that they would like to increase their newspaper exchange program: Gaudalupr 9'er, Lee Besing Editor, P.O. Box 2595, Universal City, TX 78148; "Break-9", Texas REACT Council Newsletter, Lee Besing Editor, 3519 Lynn Kaye Circle, San Antonio, TX 78217.

I have again started receiving papers

## REACT Name Garners \$68,000 Grant

by Ron McCracken

Ever question paying dues to International? Wonder sometimes what you get for your money?

Livingston REACT Genesco, NY can tell you. This Team, a participant in the Upstate NY REACT Council, was just awarded a grant of \$68,000 by its State Department of Criminal Justice.

It would take many years of "saved" dues, even using 1990 figures, to accumulate \$68,000. All the International dues Livingston REACT has ever paid in the Team's entire history amount to only a small fraction of what the Team has received in this single grant.

The REACT name is the most valuable benefit your Team gets for its membership, although it is far from the only benefit. Your Team benefits not only from the REACT name and logo but from all that other Teams worldwide have done to uphold and enhance the REACT reputation.

Livingston REACT has made a

contribution to that REACT reputation which can now benefit other Teams. This may very well be the largest grant ever awarded to a REACT entity.

Obviously, Livingston REACT relied on more than just its REACT name to merit such a considerable investment of tax dollars. Nevertheless, familiarity of state officials with the REACT name and reputation almost certainly aided the Team in its quest for a grant.

The Livingston REACT grant is no isolated success, either. Waterloo Regional REACT (Ont) has earned substantial grants from two different provincial agencies to assist the Team in its work.

Likewise, Gaudalup County REACT San Antonio, Texas, recently benefitted from a \$2,500 grant by the H-E-B Grocery Company. REACT Canada, Inc., was the recipient of a \$5,000 grant from the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General's Drinking/Driving Counter-measures Office.

The grant funded a mission province-wide educational campaign to increase correct CB reports of impaired drivers and other highway emergencies to police or REACT Monitors.

Undoubtedly, other Teams have achieved similar successes in seeking grants. We need to share information about these accomplishments to encourage one another and further enhance the REACT name and reputation.

If your Team has received a government or corporate grant to assist its safety efforts, please let us know. We will report it to give encouragement to other Teams and to acknowledge the valued support of grantors.

Congratulations to Livingston REACT on its success. Has your Team investigated grant opportunities available to it? Talk to your state/provincial elected representative and to corporations in the area your Team serves.

## The Nineties - Diversifying: Why It Matters

by Ron McCracken

Last issue, we examined "diversification" in the business world and among many REACT Teams. We considered how Teams could diversify. But why diversify at all?

In a word: Technology. Rapid advances in technology are changing REACT's roles, like it or not. Wise REACT Teams are evolving to keep pace with the new radio technology. The rest of us must join them in leading the way or suffer the fate of the dinosaur. Two major challenges face us.

Cellular telephones (really two-way radios) pose major threat to the future of CB. Although CB's are selling well now, that could change quickly.

Certainly cellular is likely to virtually replace CB in metropolitan area over this decade. Teams in outlying areas may fare better, but satellite links are quickly extending the range of those cellular phones. Added to these factors is the steady drop in the force of cellular units.

CB involves no long distance or

service charges. However, the greater reliability 911 offers will lure many travelers from their CB units despite the greater cost.

This underlines our need to diversify, to emphasize our other public service roles as our Channel 9 role, inevitably becomes secondary. REACT Teams can lead the way as they have so often before.

Technology has also created a more sophisticated public that demands more, even of volunteer groups like REACT Teams. While CB radio was a mystery to many community event organizers in the past, that is no longer the case. They now know about skip, range, interference, etc., etc., that limit CB performance. They demand a more reliable radio service.

Thus, REACT Teams face the challenge of diversifying their radio equipment in this decade. We will need to expand our use of GMRS/UHF/VHF radios that are "state-of-the-art."

Groups for which Teams provide communications can help the cost of

upgrading REACT equipment FEMA or emergency preparedness officials may be able to help too. Ask them. Government grants or lottery proceeds may also be available.

Begin investigating now. Plan to acquire one or two pairs of new VHF/VHF radios on a schedule. Remember, your Team can combine CB and UHF/VHF use. Not every Team member needs a UHF/VHF radio initially. Phase them in. Your CB radio will be needed for some time in your Channel 9 monitoring role, too.

The market out there is definitely changing. REACT Teams want to lead the way as they always have. Take steps now to diversify your public service roles. Take steps to diversify your radio equipment. Check the Nov-Dec "REACTer" cover. Herndon (VA) REACT is ready for this new decade, as are many other Teams. Be sure your Team is among them. That cover photo tells it all.

REACT leads the way again.

### Team Events

**#C729 Simi Valley REACT, Simi Valley, California** now has a generator for the team communication trailer. The trailer is now capable of full time, 24 hour operation from batteries or the new generator. It was tried out for the first time at the Emergency Preparedness Fair held in March.

**#4760 ST. Thomas REACT, St. Thomas, Ontario Canada** has been very busy the last several months. On January 26th, they joined the Golden Acres Sociables in the cost of installing a custom-built antenna and coax on the roof of the police station to replace the outdated equipment. On February 25, members volunteered 72 hours to the Easter Seals Telethon. On March 25th, five members of the Team travelled to Woodstock and met with members of the Woodstock REACT and representatives from Tillsonburg who were interested in forming their own REACT Team in their area. All in all, this Team has been very busy and set a good standard for other REACT Teams.

**#C238 Oakland County REACT, Inc., Drayton Plains, Michigan** presented awards to the following members at their February 14th general membership meeting. Outstanding Member was James Callihan, selected as the Bingo worker of the year was Kenneth Hooper. The award for Safety Break worker of the year went to a whole family that made sacrifices and contributions to pull the Team through three holiday Safety Breaks - the McMahan family. Five year pins were also presented to Linda Dickerson, Frank McMahan and Keith Knighton. Matt Veen received his ten year pin with Paul Veen receiving a twenty-five year pin. Both Linda Dickerson and Paul Veen received 1000 hours of monitoring pins.

**#2953 Twin Cities REACT, Yuba City, California** mourns the loss of Emily F. Brown. As club secretary she kept the club running efficiently for many years. She also served as Ways and Means Chairman and could be counted on for all Team

activities. Her dedication to REACT was a standard to measure our own performance by. She will be greatly missed by all of her fellow members.

**#4686 Eastern Panhandle REACT, Martinsburg, West Virginia** was recently presented a cash donation from Mel McQuain, governor of the Moose Lodge No. 120 in Martinsburg. The donation was used to purchase two radios. The Team now has direct communications with central dispatch. Since the upgrade, the Team is now working with the office of Emergency Services, Red Cross and the Salvation Army.

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For more information contact any MFJ dealer or MFJ Enterprises, Inc., P.O. Box 494, Mississippi State, MS 39762, or call 601/323-5869.



**New Ultra-Compact 40-Channel Mobile CB from Midland Model 77-094**, has been introduced by Midland International. Measuring just 4 1/4"W x 1 1/4"H x 6 1/4"D, the 77-094 is small enough to mount in virtually any vehicle. Despite its size, it offers many advanced CB features and high performance. The radio's full-time ANL automatically suppresses unwanted noise. ETR electronic frequency tuning, with separate scan up/down controls, provides pinpoint channel selection. Its dual conversion superheterodyne receiver provides better sensitivity. In addition, the 77-094 features a large, high-intensity green LED channel readout, separate LED systems for transmit and receive, a ceramic filter and a condenser electro microphone with front-panel locking mount. For easy installation and in/out flexibility, the 77-094 features a quick disconnect mounting

bracket. An external speaker jack allows addition of speaker accessories. Midland's 77-094 is finished in a high-tech black format, inside a rugged metal cabinet for durability. Its double-layered heat sink promotes long life.

For complete information on Midland's new 77-094, contact Midland International Corporation, Consumer Communications Division, 1690 N. Topping, Kansas City, MO 64120.



**Advanced Wireless FM Intercoms**, a full line ranging from one to three channels each, is available from Midland International. Model 72-008, the three-channel, wireless intercom, offers "hands-free" communication, eliminating the need for operators to push and hold buttons. This is accomplished by switching the unit to its voice-activated, automatic mode. The 72-008 also features new "touch sensor" switches, which control functions without mechanical movement, greatly increasing intercom longevity. In addition, the 72-008 permits three separate conversations to be carried to three different areas, or conference calls to be made on one channel. This unit also has "call alert", which sends an audio beep tone to the receiving unit, notifying that party of the caller's desire to talk.

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The REACTer will now provide our readers the manufacturers contact information for the new products announced. The Reader ServiceCard service will no longer be available.

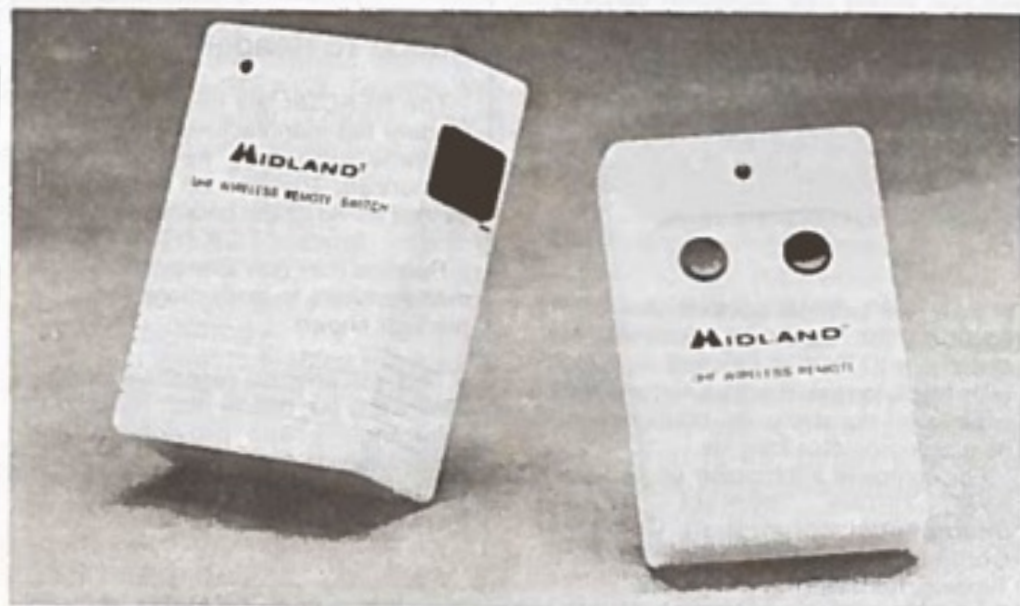
Readers may now directly contact the manufacturers to learn more about the products shown.

This will shorten response time by eliminating our middle man handling of your inquiry and provide you an opportunity to learn about other products and services offered by the manufacturer(s).

Midland's two-channel intercom, Model 72-006, has two-conversation capability, allowing a caller to carry on two separate, exclusive conversations to two different areas, plus noise filters to reduce background noise. The 72-006 also has conference calling capability and "call alert". For person-to-person communication, Midland offers single-channel intercom Model 72-002. This unit features built in noise filtering circuitry and a fully automatic squelch circuit to reduce noise interference.

For complete information on any of Midland's wireless FM intercoms, as well as Midland CB's, VHF Marine radios and other specialty electronics products, contact Midland International Corporation, Consumer Communications Division, 1690 N. Topping, Kansas City, MO 64120.

## New Products



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One reviewer of the beta version of MJF-1281 Easy-DX (trademark) called it "the single indispensable program for any DXer with a computer." (Peter Smith N4ZR, Digital Digest, July/Aug., 1989, page 12).

Why? Because the new MFJ-1281 Easy-DX program is a unique tool that instantly organizes all your DXCC activity, plus you get a packet terminal program and a PacketCluster (trademark, Pavilion Software) interface so you'll get the very

latest DX information.

You can enter any call and it tells you at a glance whether you need that country on the band, the mode or both. It also tells you if you've worked the station before. Plus it gives you a list of contacts with the country, including bands, modes and QSLs received — so you can get the station to QSY to the band you need him on.

When you enter a call or prefix it tells you the country, kazimuth to the (or a) major city and the sunrise/sunset times at that QTH. You can also import contest logs from the popular CT logging program.

For more information contact MFJ at 601/323-9715.

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NOTE: don't forget to make your flight reservations as early as possible. The "Goodwill Games" are going on during the same dates and airlines are getting booked up.

## THINGS TO REMEMBER!

1. Babysitting will be provided, free of charge, during all business sessions, and at a nominal fee at other times. Lots of fun things have been planned for the kids to do.
2. Any REACT Team who would like to exhibit, please contact Spokane County REACT for a form.
3. If you have awards to be given out please contact Jan Kinsella at 509/244-9434, so proper time can be scheduled.
4. Spokane maps will be sent in your registration packets.
5. Recording equipment is encouraged for all sessions.

**FOR FURTHER DETAILS  
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# HEADQUARTERS REPORT

Things have been busy around Headquarters lately, what with the training of us, the new staff, as well as the daily office duties it seems like only yesterday the last issue of the REACTer was being prepared.

I would like to thank all you members, Teams and Councils who have called or written offering assistance to us as well as just to say hello, they are all appreciated. Our goal here at Headquarters is to serve you the membership for without you Delia, Michele and myself would not be needed.

The Headquarters is in the process of preparing for the July, 1990 Convention in Spokane, Washington. And I for one, am looking forward to meeting all of you there.

**Board Elections** - you'll find candidate statements and profiles of the 5 REACT members running for election/re-election of the Board of Directors of REACT International. Two Field Director positions will expire and Teams are encouraged to help decide the future goals, policies

and direction of REACT by voting for the candidate(s) that will represent all Teams for the next two years. The Teams have recently received an "Official Ballot" mailing and are encouraged to vote. Deadline to receive the ballots is July 20th, 1990. The new Board members will be announced at the International Convention and in the September-/October issue of the REACTer.

**Convention Delegates** - also mailed in the April issue of the Team Topics was the official delegate credentials form. Have it completed by your Team and hand carry it to the Convention to show upon registration. Please do not try to be a "delegate" for both Team and Council or more than one Team. And don't forget to bring your voting placard with you.

**1990 New Spring Price List** - was mailed in the April, 1990 issue of the Team Topics. Several items that are no longer available are noted on the new price list. Old price sheets should be discarded as the new price lists are effective immediately.

**REACT "Accident Insurance"** - its

time to sign up for the low cost insurance optional to North American REACT Teams. The price is still only \$5.00 per member and excellent coverage for the "on duty" policy. The policy coverage provides up to \$25,000.00 for loss of life or dismemberment, weekly indemnity of \$75.00 per week and medical expense coverage up to \$2,500. Certain terms and conditions apply so please read the policy explanation provided in this issue of the REACTer or the April, 1990 issue of the Team Topics.

**Non-Renewed Teams** - effective immediately all REACT Teams that have not renewed now have the opportunity to renew at a significant savings over past years. A re-charter fee of \$25.00 plus the \$17.00 insurance fee as well as half year dues have been implemented. Note: The half year dues will not cover past issues of the REACTer and will begin upon the date of arrival to REACT International Headquarters. Regular members are now \$8.50 with Family and Junior members at \$7.50.

## A Special Thanks

Judy Bell, Navarro County REACT Team #3051, Corsecana, Texas, would like to send her sincere thanks to all REACTers for all the support and kind letters received after the loss of her husband, Curtis Bell, in March of 1990.

A donation fund has been set-up through International in Curtis's name. For more information please contact REACT Headquarters.

## NEW TEAMS CHARTERED

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|------|---|------|--|
| 4777 | Ripon REACT<br>Ripon, California<br>3-13-90                           | 4782 | Southern Ohio REACT<br>Portsmouth, Ohio<br>4-11-90       |
| 4778 | Orlando Metro REACT<br>Orlando, Florida<br>4-03-90                    | 4783 | Gadsen County REACT<br>Greensboro, Florida<br>4-20-90    |
| 4779 | Northside REACT<br>Highland Springs,<br>Virginia<br>4-03-90           | 4784 | Lake Washington REACT<br>Kirkland, Washington<br>4-43-90 |
| 4780 | Cadetes Medicos<br>REACT Toa Alta<br>Toa Baja, Puerto Rico<br>4-03-90 | 4785 | Mojave Desert REACT<br>Apple Valley, CA<br>4-30-90       |
| 4781 | Carroll County REACT<br>Conway, New Hampshire<br>4-03-90              |      |  |

## REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC.'S 1990 RENEWAL LOTTERY CONTEST WINNERS

The following is the list of REACT Teams and the prizes that they have won in the 1990 Renewal Lottery Contest. We would like to thank the manufacturers who donated the prizes as well as congratulate those teams who have won.

**Antenna Specialists Company** donated several M-710 Formula One trunk/roof mount antenna's, M-711 Formula One magnet mount antenna's, M-52 all band monitor truck lid mount antenna's and an M7-11 Mag mount antenna. Cong-ratulations to REACT Teams: C170,KY; 2517,CA; 2853,OR; 2953,CA; 3135,KS; 3265,NH; 3310,IL; 3763,KY; 3791,MN; 4252,CA; 4720,CA.

**Cobra Electronics** donated two 18RB CB's, and the winning Teams were: C460,MI and C653,IN.

**Firestik Antenna Company** con-tributed an FS-3-64A9A Co-phased 3' mirror kit, a MSB-RX Monitor Scanner Base antenna and a Fire Base Phoenix, FBP-1 base station antenna. The winning Teams of these prizes were: C453,WV; 2260,CA and 3471,VA.

**Hustler Antenna Company** donated several SCB Red Hustler Antenna's. The antenna's were awarded to Teams: C114,OH; 3490,FL; 4086,MD and 4742,CA.

**Midland International Corpo-ration** contributed an 18-400 CB antenna, a 77-162 40-channel CB with weather monitor as well as a 76-300 CB base station. The recipient Teams are: C081,OH; 2200,CA and 2844,PA.

**Popular Communication** one year subscriptions were awarded to the following Teams: C149,IN; C227,MI; C242,NV; C371,CO; 3006,OH; 3232,OK; 3410,PA; 3431,CA; 4508,MA; 4637,MN as well as 4756,PR.

**Shakespeare E&F Division** contributed several Big Stick Antenna's for the contest. Congratulations to the following Teams: C324,OH; C610,FL; C730,CA; 2615,TX; 2651,NC; 2833,MD; 2983,NE; 3032,NC; 3412,PA; 3921,WV and 4764,PR.

**Uniden** donated Trucker's, Pro 500D's as well as Pro J30C's. The donated prizes were awarded to the following Teams: 3083,TN; 4628,MA and 4713,NE.

**Whistler** donated a Whistler 900 which was won by Team C117,WV.

**Win Tenna** contributed a 3002 Win Charger as well as a 920 trunk mount lighting rod system and were awarded to the following Teams: 2802,NC; 2951,CA.

And of course, REACT International awarded REACT materials to the following Teams: 2409,Ontario; 2627,Alberta; 3369,WV; 4047,TX; 4746,VA and 5021,UK.

In all over 60 prizes were awarded for the 1990 Renewal Lottery Contest. Again, REACT International would like to thank all Teams for their early renewals and congratulate the above Teams on their winnings.

## Canada De-licenses CB

Canadian REACT members no longer must obtain licenses to operate CB equipment.

Communications Canada announced that effective April 1, 1990 it would no longer require CBers to license their radios. Regulations and penalties governing CB equipment and operations however, remain in force.

"It means a significant saving for our REACTers and other CB operators," Canadian REACT Director Ron McCracken noted. "Unlike the U.S., in Canada each radio required a separate license. The license cost \$6.50 per year. It became costly when a REACTer licensed a base station, a mobile, and perhaps also a portable. Now that expense is all history, thankfully.

Canadian CBers had long complained that Communications Canada, like FCC, lacked the manpower to adequately enforce its regulations. They objected to paying license fees when they received virtually no enforcement in return.

Serious infractions, particularly those that adversely affected other radio services, were pursued, and still will be. Communications Canada also worked closely with REACT on CB problems, after resolving them quietly without formal action. McCracken is confident that such co-operation will continue.

Meanwhile, de-licensing will leave more money in REACT members pockets and that is welcome news.

The REACTer is available on audio cassette tape for the blind. Certain conditions and costs are involved. For more information please contact:

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# SEAT BELT SAFETY

## Statement on the Effectiveness and Safety of Child Safety Seats

By Jeffrey R. Miller, Deputy Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (Source: Beltline, IL Coalition For Safety Belt Use, February 1990)

First let me say in the strongest possible terms to the parents of American children that child safety seats are very safe and very effective. It is irresponsible to suggest otherwise. They are perhaps the single most effective safety device ever developed for an automobile. They reduce the chances of dying in a crash by 70 percent.

They have saved thousands of lives since their introduction. Thanks to child safety seat use laws in all 50 states and D.C. usage is now at the 82 percent mark. We wish it was at the 100 percent mark, because they are the safest possible way to protect a child in a car. Hundreds of children are saved each year, and countless injuries are reduced or prevented altogether.

It is categorically false to suggest, as Mr. Ditlow does, that half the seats on the road are dangerous.

This agency makes child safety seats one of its very highest priorities. The compliance testing of seats to ensure they comply with a strict standard is our second largest program, second only to the testing of seatbelts and airbags. We test every child seat when it is introduced, and again and again as long as it is on the market. We have brought about the recall of MILLIONS of child safety seats.

If parents want to know if the seat they have has been recalled, we encourage them to call our toll-free auto safety hotline. You don't need to know the make of the seat you have when you call - we'll mail you the complete list. The number is 1-800-424-9393 and it is answered 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

### Child Safety Seat Laws Cut Death Rate 30 Percent

Laws requiring use of car child-safety seats, enacted in the last decade by all 50 states, have reduced infant and toddler traffic

accident deaths more than 30 percent, a study said.

"We found that after the laws were adopted there was about a 30 percent drop in fatalities for toddlers and about a 39 percent drop for infants," William Evans, associate professor of economics at the University of Maryland-College Park, said.

The study sponsored by the Harvard Injury Prevention Center, was written by Evans and John D. Graham, associate professor at the Harvard School of Public Health.

The study compared each state's child auto accident fatality rate before and after a child restraint law went into effect, Evans said.

Child-restraint laws save about 160 lives annually in this country, according to the study, which was based on statistics compiled by the U.S. Department of Transportation and by the Centers for Disease Control's fatal accident reporting system.

The findings confirm the rationale behind laws requiring children to be buckled in, Evans said.

"We were trying to quantify - did these laws actually save lives?" Evans said. "We did know that child safety seats were effective. The only question was how effective were they, given the usage rates in the population".

Tennessee was the first state to enact a child-restraint law in 1978. Seven years later all 50 states had passed such legislation. During that period usage rates rose from 17 percent to 78 percent, according to federal statistics, Evans said.

While the Department of Transportation had compiled studies showing the rate of usage of child restraints, Evans said, "Just looking at usage rates was not enough because there is this problem of gross misuse of child-safety seats."

Many parents do not use the restraints properly - for instance, not buckling children in properly. However, he said, the study found that enough parents are using the devices properly to save a significant number of lives.

(Source: AP - Peoria Journal Star, December 15, 1989)



### Safety Seats & Restraints

If you purchase a car with passive restraints, check your owner's manual to be sure your child is riding safely in his safety seat. If you have a car with door-mounted automatic safety belts, a special belt is needed to attach safety seats to the front seat of certain General Motors passenger cars. Although experts recommend placing the child restraint in the center rear-seat position, this may not be feasible for a parent who is travelling along and wants to keep an eye on the child while driving. To secure the child in the front seat, the vehicle owner must have a special Infant/Child seat Attachment belt installed.

The belt kits, including installation, are free to owners of these vehicles. Check with your GM dealer for details.

Cars with motorized belts should not present a problem, since the lap belt is manual and can be used to secure the safety seat.

Airbags, which provide added crash protection when used with manual lap/shoulder belt, are also included in many new cars. Most 1990 models equipped with airbags have them on the driver's side only, but some manufacturers have announced intentions to phase in passenger-side bags by 1992. Remember, passengers, whether adults or children must use their safety belts with their supplemental airbags. It is best to place all infants in the rear seat. If a forward-facing child seat is placed in the right-front passenger seat, the vehicle's seat should be moved all the way back. Rear-facing sets place a child much closer to the air bag and should only be placed in the rear seat. When supplemented by the airbag and properly used, the child safety seat continues to allow for reliable, safe and effective protection in an accident.

(Sources: TSN Fact Finder, The Texas Belt Connection)

## MONITORING CHANNEL 9

With the summer traveling season upon us, this is the busiest time of the year for REACT Teams. Let's take the time and review the role of the monitor.

The monitor listens for calls on Channel 9 and acknowledges calls for help and then passes on vital information to the police, highway patrol, fire stations, Coast Guard, emergency medical services and others.

The monitor is a direct link between the need for help and the solution to the problem. In keeping that link intact, the monitor must:

- Get more information from the caller when needed.
- Pass information on so that those responding can be ready to help in all respects when they arrive.
- Be ready to guide help to the scene if you are a mobile monitor.
- Keep records on calls and responses.

Monitoring is a responsibility, that calls for initiative. Make sure you have the necessary information then call the proper authorities. Keep in mind that most calls for help come from a place of stress. The caller may be excited, shaken, alarmed, frantic and can even be hostile. The monitor's job is to remain calm and instill calm and confidence in your caller.

The monitor must know who to call and how, in order to get the right help quickly. The radio and telephone are your sensors; you must know how to use them, what they can do and what they cannot do. Monitors should know where help can be obtained, what kind of help is offered and how quickly it can be delivered. The monitor must think as well as talk.

A Team can have at its disposal some of the finest communication in the country, but its use becomes greatly impaired if the monitors are not familiar with the proper use of the equipment and do not adhere to the basic rules of procedure. The following are the "4C's" to monitoring Channel 9.

**Calm** – When answering a call, no matter how upset or excited the caller is, stay calm yourself and try to calm the caller down. People that are upset or excited tend to lose sense of direction, location, or talk so fast that names and numbers can get mixed up. Ask the caller to please

repeat the message slower, more distinctly, so that you can be sure to get the information correct, and get help to them faster.

**Concise** – When giving directions that are quite lengthy or complicated, take the caller to a designated work channel for your Team. If you have no special work channel, then give the directions at intervals, leaving open time for any emergency calls that may be being transmitted. Don't tie up the channel for long periods of time. Remember, when you have the mike key pressed down, you can't hear.

**Courteous** – Always, when answering a call, do so with a smile in your voice, as your voice reflects your willingness to help. Be courteous, do not let your temper get out of control even though you may be provoked, for there may be non-REACTers monitoring the channel. Be an example to them. The best way to get courtesy and respect from others is to be courteous. Always thank the caller for the information or for standing by, either at the location or on the frequency. This leaves the caller with a feeling of satisfaction that he has helped you or someone else. This may also induce that person into becoming a future member of REACT.

**Correct** – When taking information, make sure you have gotten it correctly; write it down and/or tape it, have the calling party repeat any names, locations, or numbers - then read it back to them to make sure they have reported it accurately. Ask the caller to please stand by the frequency in case the authorities of agency requires more information. If there is any doubt in the understanding of the transmission, use the international phonetic alphabet to verify the spelling. When reporting the information, make sure it is in the proper area or location, and is the proper authority or agency. Many REACT Teams cover multiple jurisdictions. Each monitor should have a telephone list of emergency numbers in all of the jurisdictional districts the Team may cover. Let the caller know when the call is completed, to give him assurance that assistance is on the way. Then sign off using Team identity and unit number. If the call is for road information, be sure to get the

location or address correct, then check your map and give the best route to the location. If you cannot supply the necessary information, see if there is another monitor on the air that can complete the call. Do not chance giving out incorrect information or directions. At the end of each call, be sure to enter it on your call or log sheet.

The use of the guidelines given at the bottom of this article and good common sense should almost insure your having little trouble with the calls. Don't let your panic be transmitted by your voice to the caller.

Each monitor must have a thorough understanding of what an emergency and motorist assistance really means.

**Emergency** – is an incident involving the safety of life or the protection of property; a situation where an immediate response is required.

**Motorist Assistance** – is to answer a question or provide a service necessary to a specific motorist.

Every caller, before using Channel 9, has the responsibility to make a determination that his/her communication is either or both (a) an emergency communication, or (b) is necessary to render assistance to a motorist. It must be understood that what may not be an emergency under one set of circumstances may be an emergency under different circumstances.

There are many worthwhile public service communications that do not qualify as emergency communications. In the case of motorist assistance, the message must be necessary to assist a particular motorist; and not, except in a valid emergency, motorist in general. If the communications are to be lengthy, the exchange should be shifted to another channel if feasible, after initial contact is established. **NO NON-EMERGENCY OR NON-MOTORIST ASSISTANCE COMMUNICATIONS ARE PERMITTED ON CHANNEL 9.**

The following established priorities should be observed in the use of Channel 9 by each monitor.

- Communications relating to an existing situation dangerous to life or property, i.e., fire, automobile accident.

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## MONITORING CHANNEL 9 continued

- Communications relating to a potentially hazardous situation, i.e., car stalled in a dangerous place, debris on freeway (roadway), a boat out of gas.
- Road assistance to a disabled vehicle on a freeway or expressway, or surface street.
- Road and street directions.

Remember that our primary function is to monitor and keep track to the status of each call and its priority, report it to the appropriate authority. It is YOUR responsibility to update your emergency listings periodically. Be certain of jurisdictions. Check maps and guides for proper directions.

Next issue ... Monitoring procedures on Channel 9.

**Please notify  
Headquarters  
of your  
address changes.**

## INTERNATIONAL PHONETIC ALPHABET

Recommended by FCC

A - Alpha	H - Hotel	O - Oscar	V - Victor
B - Bravo	I - India	P - Papa	W - Whiskey
C - Charlie	J - Juliette	Q - Quebec	X - X-ray
D - Delta	K - Kilo	R - Romeo	Y - Yankee
E - Echo	L - Lima	S - Sierra	Z - Zulu
F - Foxtrot	M - Mike	T - Tango	
G - Golf	N - November	U - Uniform	

## Law Enforcement Phonetic Alphabet

A - Adam	H - Henry	O - Ocean	V - Victor
B - Boy	I - Ida	P - Paul	W - William
C - Charles	J - John	Q - Queen	X - X-ray
D - David	K - King	R - Robert	Y - Young
E - Edward	L - Lincoln	S - Sam	Z - Zebra
F - Frank	M - Mary	T - Tom	
G - George	N - Nora	U - Union	



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