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# *REACTing with Citizens Patrol*

*By Bob Leef, 1st Vice President  
[Public Relations & Membership]  
Crest REACT #4252*

With the addition of members from Norco Citizens Patrol, Crest REACT of Southern California has peaked at its highest level of membership ever. NCP was formed a few months ago and needed good communications. A Crest GMRS repeater was able to provide it through REACT membership, and the relationship was established.

According to Commander Bob Seigler, Norco Citizens Patrol members undergo a background check, 16 hours of training including CPR, and 10 hours of ride along with the Riverside County Sheriff. Volunteers then spend a minimum of 16 hours per month as a two-person patrol in specially-marked vehicles, or at the dispatch office handling radio, telephone and other duties.

The approximately 40 men and women carry no weapons, make no arrests, or take no law enforcement action. They do, however, fulfill a needed function of looking for safety hazards, security problems, nuisances, suspicious activities, and provide public assistance. Members may also help the Sheriff and Fire Departments on request in such activities as traffic control, search, etc.

Businesses and individuals have indicated their appreciation of the deterrent effect on crime that this "eyes and ears" approach has. Statistics show a 6% drop in serious crime during the first month of NCP operation, attributed in part to this citizen involvement.

Crest REACT Secretary-Treasurer Ed Greany, a principal facilitator and radio trainer, said "it seemed such a natural to bring together these two volunteer organizations. REACT ben-



efits with new members, NCP gets radio training, insurance, and repeater use, while the entire community sees increased citizen involvement bringing about a reduction in crime."

Information on how your REACT Team can work together with other organizations may be obtained by writing Crest REACT #4252 at P.O. Box 395, Corona, CA 91718.

## ***REACT Teams Renewing 100%***

Ohio

C081

C260

***Congratulations to  
those Teams renewing  
100% during the  
1996 Renewal Cycle.***

***Remember to contact  
those members who  
haven't renewed yet.  
Let's all make this the  
best year ever!***

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# Amateur Radio News

By Steven Gobat, KA3PDQ



Well, we survived the blizzard and the flood here in South Central Pennsylvania and learned a lot about what to expect when being called out. First you must be self sufficient! Our repeaters were up and operating but many of the non REACT Amateur operators who did not participate in any of our BORING events were not prepared to operate out in the wild without a shelter.

## Here is a short list of suggestions

1. If you think you might want it, take it with you. This includes radios, scanners, antennas, headphones, cable, power supplies and extra batteries. (I have a bag with this in it that I can grab when going out the door. Most of this equipment is just for emergency communications).
2. Paper, pencil and your Team roster with up to the date phone numbers.
3. An AM-FM radio and if you have it a small TV set battery powered if possible. When you are out there a TV set will come in very handy for updates on

what is exactly happening especially if your assignment is out of the main hub of activity.

4. Take along anything for your own PERSONAL COMFORT!

5. BE PREPARED.

One of the biggest problems that we ran into was too few people were willing to SIT DOWN, SHUT UP and LISTEN. I know most of you have heard it before, but just after the net control station has gone through a sometimes lengthy explanation or answer of a question it never fails...someone will immediately ask that same question.

Learn to become good listeners and less an expert on the push to talk button!

A new supply of Amateur Operator patches have arrived and are available for \$3.00 each. Write to me at 1160 Old Trail Road, Etters, PA 17319.

Work is continuing on the REACT QSO Party. We still need a date for this and input on specific rules.

I have a lot of requests on how to become a Ham. Well, something that has worked for my Team is that we purchased the ARRL video course. We bought extra books and then let those interested borrow the video tape to study at their own speed. Prior to a VE Test date we get together run the tape with the group and we answer questions and demonstrate different principals for the group. THIS WORKS!



**More Members,  
More Publicity,  
More Monitors**

## That "C" in REACT...

*By Lee W. Besing, NSNTG  
Computer Committee Chairperson  
Internet: react@texas.net*

REACT International may be reached by e-mail at "react@wichita.fn.net". For the addresses of Field Directors and Committee Chairpersons, visit the REACT International home page "http://www.fn.net/~react" for this information.

The primary purpose of the Internet, is Information. Exchanging ideas. But as a source of information, the Internet can really be confusing, "Information Overload" so to speak. Just out of curiosity, one day, I performed a search using my own last name as the key word. Whew! I didn't know I was so popular on the Internet. It found my name on every REACT web page that has been posted for REACT International, Texas State REACT Council, San Antonio REACT, and my personal pages. It also found my name on Rose City REACT's web page up in Windsor, Ontario.

 Dejanews found the following Author Profile on react@texas.net (Lee Besing): A total of 27 articles posted between 1995/07/08 and 1995/11/13 with 81% follow-ups. Plus it found 5 other postings by other authors who mentioned my name in their article. Articles posted with my address as originator to individual newsgroups were found in: 22 @ rec.radio.cb, 2 @ comp.sys.laptops, 1 @ rec.radio.swap, 1 @ rec.radio.scanner, and 1 @ nz.comp.

In addition to finding myself, it found my cousin, Joan Besing, a Speech and Pathology Professor at the University of Southern Alabama, a Roy Besing in Indiana, and a Paul Besing in Phoenix who was arranging for rental housing during the upcoming Super Bowl! Scary, or Exciting?

Naturally, I also did a search in InfoSeek using the key word "REACT". I found the following 5 links:

- 1) REACT Team and Council Links... <http://www.fn.net/~react/riteams.html>
- 2) Texas State REACT Council... <http://www.lmg.com/react/index.htm>
- 3) RELI Home Page... <http://members.gnn.com/RELI37/reli1.htm>
- 4) REACT Home Page <http://www.wincom.net/REACT/>
- 5) San Antonio REACT Team #3622...<http://www.texas.net/users/react/>

...and the list goes on. Any Team or Council, or anyone for that matter, posting a web page needs to advertise it by listing it with the most popular Web Search Engines. Eventually it will be found, but to speed things up, you can go to each search engine or you can go to one place that submits to all them at one time.



<http://www.submit-it.com> is the place to go when you are ready to tell the world about your home page. Check out some instructions before you go, by visiting REACT International's home

page, on the section dealing with "Other Web Links of Interest" at the bottom.

I found a non-REACT related page who linked his web page back to REACT's. This was a fellow named "Tyson" and his address was <http://www.teleport.com/~tybrooks/cbradio.shtml>. He saw us talking about REACT in the usenet group called "rec.radio.cb" and asked if he could mention REACT International on his listing of Radio Organizations. He sure didn't have to ask that question twice!

REACT members have discovered the use of E-Mail for sharing news of what is happening in their team or community. Recent postings included traffic accidents in Texas, searches for missing skiers in Oregon, and officer elections for Honolulu REACT C-010 and the Northern California REACT Council.

One inquiry was received from the United Kingdom, asking what equipment do REACT Teams in the USA utilize and how do we do what we do. Several teams jumped in to answer that question within the same day it was rebroadcast.

Announcements by Field Directors have been relayed via e-mail in addition to special mailings to all teams. REACT International's office now routinely fields requests via e-mail, without the delays of normal mailing.

Computers can expand your window to the world, if you learn how to use them. Twenty years ago, the big "bump in the road" was GMRS Radios. Ten years ago, it was Amateur Radio. This time, that bump will be the Computer.

# Life Membership Corner

By R.T. Gamble, Chairperson

Looking over the Life Member Directory that is in print for this upcoming convention, I have noticed where we have some Life Members that have returned from the Unattached Member list to Active Member list either with their old Team or with a new REACT Team. I say WELCOME BACK to those that are keeping with the Team concept of REACT and have returned.

We have also had a few that for one reason or another have not reaffirmed their Team memberships. Hopefully, they will recontact their Team of record, or even a new Team, and reaffirm their affiliation with a Team. Remember that REACT is based on the TEAM concept and is an organization of "Teams" not individuals, that are trained to help through communications in time of need.

The following are the newest Life Members to our REACT family.

Patrick Sorensen  
Life Member #505  
Douglas County REACT, Inc. #C663  
Omaha, Nebraska

John Nixon  
Life Member #506  
Douglas County REACT, Inc. #C663  
Omaha, Nebraska

The elections for our Board of Directors this year is for only one person. I do hope that a majority of Teams correctly complete their ballot and send it to the Silverdale Post Office Box. Remember, this is your chance to let your voice be heard, make it count, vote in the upcoming election.

Regretfully, we report the passing on the following Life Member since the last REACTer magazine.

LM #C028  
Jean Pihlman  
Washington State

I really hope to see quite a few of you at the Convention this year. If you can plan to combine some vacation time in the area, there is really a lot to

do and see in the area.

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## Calendar of Events

**June 1-2, 1996** - North Carolina State Council, Inc. Meeting, hosted by Four Seasons REACT. For details call (704) 697-0232.

**July 13, 1996** - Wisconsin Council of REACT Teams Meeting held in Milwaukee. For further details please contact a council representative.

**July 21, 1996** - Missouri State REACT Council Meeting. For further details please contact a council representative.

**July 22-25, 1996** - 1996 REACT International Convention held in Silverdale, Washington. Further details in this issue of the magazine.

**August 4, 1996** - Southern California REACT Council Meeting. Hosted by South Gate REACT #3897.

**August 2-4, 1996** - Wisconsin Council of REACT Teams Campout and Meeting. For further details please contact a council representative.

**September 7-8, 1996** - North Carolina State Council, Inc., Meeting, hosted by Johnston County REACT, Inc. For details call (919) 934-4246.

**September 28, 1996** - Ontario REACT Council Meeting. Contact a council representative for further details.

**October 20, 1996** - Missouri State REACT Council Meeting. For further details please contact a council representative.

**November 2-3, 1996** - North Carolina State Council, Inc., Meeting, hosted by REACT of Cleveland County. For details call (704) 937-3542.

**November 3, 1996** - Southern California REACT Council Meeting. Hosted by REACT of Orange County #C399.

**November 23, 1996** - Ontario REACT Council Meeting. Contact a council representative for further details.



**Lee W. Besing**  
Canyon Lake REACT #4804  
San Antonio, Texas

**OCCUPATION:**  
Computer Consultant

**PERSONAL DATA:**  
Age 41, single; 1 daughter, 1 son

**EDUCATION:**  
B.S. Accounting

**REACT HISTORY:**  
Joined REACT in 1973. Currently a member of Canyon Lake REACT #4804, previously with San Antonio REACT #3622. Served team offices of Chairman, President, Vice President, Newsletter Editor and Public Relations Chairman. Served as Executive Vice President to the Texas State REACT Council. International offices held include a member of the Public Relations Committee and a member and Chairman of the Computer Services Committee.

**NOMINEE STATEMENT:**  
I have been an active, participating member of REACT for 23 years, first in Indiana and now in Texas. For the past many years, I have been active with the REACT International Public Relations Committee and Computer Services Committee, performing the redesign work for our present RI membership card for regular and affiliate members. I am a licensed GMRS and Amateur Radio Operator, and still monitor CB Channel 9 from my base and mobile on a regular basis. I am available for contact via phone, fax, radio and the Internet for those who wish to talk or discuss an issue (react@texas.net).

Since the 1995 Convention, with a financial boost from the convention delegates, REACT International has

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**Michael Chuvon**  
Daytona Beach REACT, Inc. #2194  
Daytona, Florida

**OCCUPATION:**  
Wastewater "B" Operator

**PERSONAL DATA:**  
Age 33, single

**EDUCATION:**  
High School Diploma, 60 College Credits

**REACT HISTORY:**  
Joined REACT in 1976. Served on team as Treasurer, Vice President and as President. Served on the Florida Council of REACT Teams, Inc., as Sergeant-At-Arms, Secretary and as President. International offices served include a member of the GMRS Committee, and as a member of the Job Description Committee.

**NOMINEE STATEMENT:**  
Once again it is time to choose a member of a REACT Team to serve on the Board of Directors. Since the last election I have been thinking about the qualifications, duties, and focus of a Field Director.

I believe the primary qualifications should be that of proven leadership within REACT, and capabilities to aid in specific areas of board functioning. I believe the most important duty is to serve the REACT membership by functioning as a team player within the Board and doing what is best for the organization even if it means putting ones own ego aside. I believe the main focus points should be organizational growth, membership retention, and the promotion of involvement and growth of the individual REACT member.

I am honored to be serving a second term as President of my state council, and am proud to say we are growing,

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**Craig Hoepfner**  
Cedar-loo REACT #4748  
Cedar Falls, Iowa

**OCCUPATION:**  
Substitute Teacher

**PERSONAL DATA:**  
Age 44, single

**EDUCATION:**  
BS - BA in Education

**REACT HISTORY:**

Joined REACT in 1970. Served as Team President, Vice President and Secretary. Council offices held include President, Vice President and Sergeant-At-Arms. International offices include a member of the Search and Rescue Committee and the CB Task Group (now a committee).

**NOMINEE STATEMENT:**

I believe that a director of REACT International has two main responsibilities, 1) representing the corporation, 2) serving the needs of the membership. I believe that REACT International is again making strides to being a growing organization, as a director I would have an open door policy to the Teams and Councils. I believe the best thing we can do is increase our membership base thereby increasing the number of people to serve the public. This is a prime job of the director to implement policies that will help grow the organization. I have served as a Council President (in Iowa 10 terms), I am currently Iowa Council Vice President, I have been in REACT in California, Texas, Missouri and Iowa and am a Life Member, and an active member of Cedar-loo REACT #4748 of Cedar Falls/Waterloo, Iowa. I am a GMRS operator, Ham operator and monitor CB Channel 9.

I'm 43 years old, and an active REACTer since 1970.

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**Christine White**  
Centinela South Bay REACT #C125  
Tishomingo, Oklahoma

**OCCUPATION:**  
Housewife

**PERSONAL DATA:**  
Age 63, married, one daughter

**EDUCATION:**  
High School

**REACT HISTORY:**

Joined REACT in 1967. Served as Team Secretary, Comm Officer, Vice President and President. Council offices held include Vice President and President. International offices held include Field Director, Vice President, President/CEO and Life Membership Chairman.

**NOMINEE STATEMENT:**

Having served on the Board before, I know that managing and planning the future of REACT is no easy task. However, the dedication that I have for REACT makes me want to serve again. I know what REACT can do - if the Members and Board of Directors work toward the common goal - the Objectives of REACT. If you choose to elect me I will carry out the duties of Field Director to the best of my ability, for the Growth and Future of REACT.

***Special Insurance Address Change...***

In the May is REACT Month mailing recently sent to all Teams was the application form for the REACT \$5.00 Special Member Insurance. It has come to Headquarters attention that the address on the form was wrong. Please make a note of the new address and forward all applications to: William K. O'Conner, 50 W. 75th Street, Willowbrook, IL 60514.

been placed on the Internet with a web site to advertise ourselves. RI Headquarters now has e-mail (electronic mail) capabilities for faster response without the cost of a long distance phone call or postage. While computer communications cannot, and will not, replace the need for radio communications, it has proven more reliable over long distance for the rapid and efficient transmission of data and exchange of ideas. With the advent of electronic communications allowing affordable and fast communications between members, Field Directors, and the REACT International HQ, some members have said that we have seen more continuing communications between members and the RI HQ in the past year than in the previous several years combined.

REACT International has the chance to continue the present trend of turning around our previous years of decline in membership, and rebuilding our organization. Communications between the top officers of our organization, RI HQ staff, the membership in general, and the public, is essential. The next three years will be critical in this growth process, but as we grow, let us not forget that job for which REACT was first founded, specifically the monitoring of CB Channel 9 for emergencies. Computers are just another tool, like our GMRS radios and our Amateur Radios. Our primary purpose of forming REACT was to monitor the CB-9 Emergency Channel, to provide emergency communications. The CB radio is still today, the most affordable radio for the citizens to utilize. With the growth of the cellular telephones, the need for CB-9 Monitors is not diminished. That one call you take might still save another's life. Is your CB base turned on to Channel 9?

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active, and highly involved. Our members work together to solve problems. I have many ideas for membership building and retention.

After suggesting to the Board, at last years convention, that committee tracking and involvement should be better served with tracking forms and descriptions of responsibility to the committee, I have served as a productive chair of the committee designed to create these forms.

I am a proven leader and a team player with positive ideas to promote and guide our organization. With college classes in management and accounting, I feel I can provide the Board with additional knowledge and experience. I ask for your vote so I may have the opportunity to serve you, the working REACT members, as your Field Director.

I've started five teams, I've been a Life Member for five years, served on Walt Greens CB Task Force, and I'm a certified teacher. Also I'm Volunteer Operations Officer for Emergency Management, in my third year in this position. I fill in for the director when he is out of town. I have taken the Emergency Management Directors Professional series on my own. I hold a BS in Geography and a BA in Teaching.

If I am elected to the Board my office will always be open to any REACTer. I also pledge to help promote REACT on a national basis. I would start an immediate national recruiting drive, aimed at creating new teams, and helping established teams recruit new members. As directors we need to look at alternative methods to fund International in Wichita, without having to constantly raise the dues of the members, also look at restoring financial integrity to the Life Member program. I feel that as a director I can help the organization grow, since I am an average REACTer, I understand the wishes of most members of REACT. I don't promise to solve all problems, but I do promise to listen to the membership. We also need a nationwide recruiting program aimed specifically at Amateur, and non-member GMRS operators.

We as REACTers need to re-emphasize where the organization came from and what our goals should be for the future. We need to push for more Amateur radio membership and also not forget our CB roots. We need to make sure that all are equally represented and promoted along with GMRS and public service.

*The Nomination Committee,  
with the help of the Wichita  
Office, verified the status of  
all teams and persons signing  
the nomination forms and  
found all to be Teams and/or  
members in good standing.*

*Dick Pratz, Nomination  
Committee Chairperson*





# Achievement Award Winners for 1995

## 4th Quarter

### Individual

**Don Perry** member of  
Salem Area REACT, Inc. #4397  
of Salem, Oregon

As Life Member #282, Don was one of the founding members of Salem Area REACT, Inc. #4397 founded in 1978. Since 1978, Don has been Team President, Vice President or Secretary a total of 15 years. Prior to his starting Team #4397, Don was an active member of Southwestern REACT of San

Diego, California from 1972 until his move to Oregon.

In the past year Don has monitored 4,090 hours on the CB and 3,250 hours on GMRS as well as performed in Search and Rescue. As an active Team and Council member, he has attended the last 24 team meetings and the last 2 council meetings.

Don is Search and Rescue certified and works hand in hand with local agencies during not only search and rescues but in other disasters as well.

Don was President of the Oregon State REACT Council before its dissolution and was instrumental in the union of the Washington Council with the Oregon Teams thus creating the Wash-Ore State REACT Council.

**Team**  
Salem Area REACT #4397  
of Oregon

Headquarters apologizes to the members of Team #4397 as no bio was available to print.

## ANNUAL WINNERS - 1995

### Individual

**Don Perry** member of Salem Area  
REACT #4397 of Salem, Oregon

**Team**  
Salem Area REACT #4397  
of Oregon

**Council**  
Pennsylvania Council  
of REACT Teams

## How to Vote in the Board of Director Election

1. At your next Team meeting (regular or special) review the Board candidates qualifications and have your members indicate their choice of candidate to fill the one Board position up for election.
2. Mark the official ballot with an "X" by the candidate of choice by your Team. You may vote for only one candidate on the ballot. **DO NOT** rank the candidates, vote for more than one candidate or make any other marks on your ballot.
3. Insert the ballot in the small envelope 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 has one officer, please indicate this by checking the appropriate box on the return envelope so it will not be disqualified.

5. Mail your Team's vote. Use first class or faster service. **NOTE:** Ballots must be received at the mailing address by noon on July 20th, 1996 to be counted.

**Your Team's vote is kept confidential by the Election Committee.  
Nominees Statement's are on pages 6 and 7 of this issue.**

# A Score of Calls

By Chuck Frensley

Greater Anchorage REACT, Inc. #3462, Alaska

Near the middle of 1976, a small group of concerned REACTers, fearing that Channel 9 was about to be abandoned by the group of which they were a part, got together to form Greater Anchorage REACT, Incorporated, Team Number 3462.

Nine meetings (coincidentally) were held to form and formulate what would become a group dedicated to providing the best possible Emergency and Motorist assistance over CB Channel 9.

Designator's were devised to identify members with their respective areas of home monitoring.

Bylaws were adopted and modified to better fit their particular situation.

Articles of Incorporation too, went through a metamorphosis and a meager, crude set of some basic Standing Rules sprang into being.

While the culmination and efforts of 17 people formed the group, officially, G<sup>A</sup>R went "on-the-air" September 1, 1976 with 15 active Monitors.

Soon, the organization grew to 54 including a couple of Junior Members.

Training by personnel from EMS, Police, Troopers, Air Force Rescue Coordination Center and the Anchorage Fire Department made us aware of the particular minimum information each agency needed when responding to a variety of calls.

In-house training classes were devised so when a probationary member went "on-the-air", not only did they have an understanding of what to expect, they also had a "coach" with some tenure to back them up in the event they experienced any difficulty with a particular call.

These calls have ranged from the mundane to contacting the Washington State Highway Patrol concerning a snowmobile accident in that state.

One call in particular comes to mind personally; a woman who, not having a telephone in her apartment rather a CB radio, called to report an elderly gentleman neighbor who had cut his throat from ear to ear. As the Fire Station was mere blocks away, paramedics arrived in under 10 minutes and were able to save his life.

Another involved a multi-car accident on the Bay Bridge in San Francisco. Thanks to "skip", one of our monitors picked up the call and relayed the information to the authorities in

that area.

And, we can't forget the situation while a boat was adrift in Upper Cook Inlet, without any power save a portable CB. A member of the crew had been stung dozens of times by wasps. The CB most likely saved his life.

Our particular situation due to location and terrain, does make for some interesting calls and responses. Not many, we're sure, can equate with this.

As with any group, the next ten or so years produced its share of growing pains. The number in the group waned slowly then held steady for awhile.

We are to celebrate our 20th Anniversary this September. While we are less than that number in strength, we still monitor with the premise that, regardless of how many hours go by without a call, when that one call does come in, there is no way to be sure if life or property will be in danger until we key the microphone and ask: "May we help you?".

However, we are sure that the caller will most certainly appreciate our being "On-The-Air" for them when that time does come.

We are looking forward to our next score of calls.

## REACTWEAR

- Lined Jackets
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MARKETING  
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## Attention... REACT Councils

The Public Relations  
Committee is still looking  
for council histories.  
Send your stories  
to REACT Headquarters!

**1996 REACT International Convention**  
**Silverdale Washington**  
**July 22 THROUGH 25, 1996**

Send to: Washington/Oregon REACT Council, 1996 Convention Committee  
 PO BOX 1786 MARYSVILLE WA 98270-1786 PHONE (360) 659-8885

**SECTION I NAME/ADDRESS**

*Please print or type: Please complete all information possible on this form.*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE/PROVINCE: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY: \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAL/ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_-

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY, CONTACT: NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Life Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Council Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Charter #: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*For sake of coordination, number of persons in party:*

**SECTION II CONVENTION REGISTRATION**

Convention Registration is \$55.00 (\$90.00 IF OFF SITE) per person. (JR. MEMBER \$30.00)  
 After May 15 1996, Registration is \$70.00(\$105.00 IF OFF SITE) per person. (JR. MEMBER \$40.00)

Number REGISTERING: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 NW Hors d' Ocuvs (Get Acquainted Mixer) (NO HOST BAR)

	NUMBER					
Opening Breakfast (sit-down)	_____	@	\$ 3.00	=	\$	_____
Additional Convention Pictures	_____	@	\$12.00	=	\$	_____
Amateur Member's Breakfast	_____	@	\$15.00	=	\$	_____
Amateur Member's Pictures	_____	@	\$12.00	=	\$	_____
Convention Shirts	S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ XXL _____ XXXL _____					
	TOTAL SHIRTS _____	@	\$20.00	=	\$	_____
Life Member's Dinner	_____	@	\$21.00	=	\$	_____
Life Member's Pictures	_____	@	\$12.00	=	\$	_____
Additional Banquet Tickets (for non-registered)	_____	@	\$30.00	=	\$	_____
	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE PAID (INCLUDING TRIPS on back)</b>			=	\$	_____
	<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>			=	\$	_____
	<b>BALANCE DUE</b>			=	\$	_____

Dietary Requests or Requirements: VEGETARIAN \_\_\_\_\_ DIABETIC \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
 Medical Disabilities/Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION III TRAVEL INFORMATION**

I/we will arrive by: Personal Vehicle: YES / NO Rental Vehicle: YES / NO  
 Air Line: \_\_\_\_\_ Bus Line: \_\_\_\_\_ Train: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Flight, or Route Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Terminal: SEA-TAC (or other) ? \_\_\_\_\_  
 ARRIVE: DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM  
 DEPART: DATE \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM  
 TRANSPORTATION REQUIRED TO & FROM TERMINAL: YES / NO

# 1996 REACT International, Inc. Convention

## July 22 - July 25 • Tentative Schedule

### Thursday & Friday

8:00 a.m. - -----

### Saturday

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

8:00 a.m. - -----

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

### Sunday

7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

8:00 a.m. - Noon

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Noon - 1:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

### Monday

7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. - Noon

10:00 a.m. - Noon

10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

11:15 a.m. - Noon

Noon - 1:15 p.m.

1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

### July 18 & 19

Board of Directors meetings

### July 20

Board of Directors/Election

Committee meetings

Communications (3rd Floor)

Registrations/Credentials (Lobby)

Operations Open (2nd Floor)

Hospitality Room (2nd Floor)

Registration/Credentials

### July 21

Hospitality Room Open

Church (of your choice)

Registration/Credentials

Operations

Lunch (on your own)

'95-'96 Committee Groups (as needed)

Registration/Credentials

Operations

Hors D'oeuvres (No Host Bar)

### July 22

Hospitality Room Open

First & Old Timers Breakfast &

Orientation Meeting

(Admiral Ballroom)

Exhibits Open (West Room)

REACT Store (Island Room)

Amateur Refresher (Ballroom)

States without Councils Caucus

(Board Room - 3rd Floor)

Board and '95-'96 Committee

Chairs (Board Room)

Lunch (on your own)

Opening Ceremonies (Ballroom)

• Call to Order

• Invocation

• Presentation of Colors

• Welcome and Introductions

• Welcome to Silverdale

• President's Report

• Credentials Committee Report

• Election Committee Report

• '95-'96 Committee Reports

• REACT Headquarters Report

• 1997 Convention Presentation

• Announcements

• Pictures

• Membership

• Life Members

• Amateurs

• Jr. REACTers

• Councils

• Board of Directors

• Teams

### Monday

6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

### Tuesday

7:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

8:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m. SHARP

### Wednesday

7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

7:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. - Noon

9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

9:30 a.m. - Noon

10:45 a.m. - Noon

Noon - 1:15 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

5:30 p.m. - -----

6:15 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

### Thursday

7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. - Noon

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Noon - 1:15 p.m.

1:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

### Friday

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

### July 22 (continued)

Hospitality Room Open

Jr. REACTer Burger Bash

Life Member N/1 Attitude

Adjustment Hour

Life Member Dinner Meeting

### July 23

Hospitality Room Open

REACT Public Relations (Ballroom)

Council President's meet with Board

REACT Store Open

Exhibit Room Open

REACT Membership (Ballroom)

Load Tour Buses for Bocing Space

Needed, Sci Ctr and the Waterfront Tour

Last Bus Departs for Ferry

### July 24

Hospitality Room Open

Amateur Breakfast Meeting

Jr. REACT Training

REACT Store Open

Exhibit Room Open

Check in for Amateur No Code

Tech Testing

No Code Tech Testing

Novice Computer Net Training

Lunch (on your own)

Exhibit Room Open

Intermediate Computer Net Training

Advanced Computer Net Training

Depart Hotel for Silverdale Marina

Depart Marina for Tillicum Village

for Dinner and Return

### July 25

Hospitality Room Open

Round Table (Ballroom)

REACT Store Open

Exhibit Room Open

Amateur Field Day

'96-'97 Committee Meetings

'96-'97 Budget Meeting with Board

(Ballroom)

Lunch (On your own)

Open Board of Directors/Membership

Meeting (Ballroom)

Awards Presentations (Ballroom)

Attitude Adjustment Hour (Cash Bar)

Convention Banquet, Awards and

Closing Ceremonies

### July 26

Board of Directors Meetings

Convention Critique and '96-'97

Convention Hosts Meeting

# CB Signals

**Where The Assistance Calls Are Yours!!**

## ***BREAK 9! Anybody out there...we need some help!!!***

*By Bob Pickering,  
Flagler County Assist REACT Team #4800, Florida*

That call for help is very familiar to Flagler County Assist REACT members. From January 1, 1995 to October 31, 1995 the Team received and relayed 748 calls to law enforcement agencies. In 1994 the team tallied 808 calls.

There have been so many types of calls received that they are impossible to count. Recently the Team helped catch two drunk drivers. The first was caught when one of our members was on I-95 southbound. He spotted a vehicle that was all over the road. He contacted one of the Team's base stations on CB Channel 9. The Flagler County Sheriff's Department was contacted but did not have a unit in the area. Our mobile unit kept updating the base station with the location of the driver. The base station called the next county's Sheriff's Department. Our unit kept relaying information on to, two of the team's base stations. A Volusia County Deputy caught up to the suspected drunk driver and pulled him over. This individual was taken into custody after failing a field sobriety test.

The second incident started in Volusia County going north towards our county. Two truckers spotted a

vehicle that was weaving all over the road. They called on CB Channel 9, a Flagler County Assist REACT base station responded and relayed the information to our Sheriff's Department. Several base stations working together tracked this vehicle until Flagler County Deputies could catch him. After failing the field sobriety test, another suspected drunk driver was off the road.

The Team also helps out with searches for missing persons. The last search occurred when an elderly woman wandered away from her home around 11:30 at night. The Team was called upon by the Flagler County Sheriff's Department to help out in the search. After three hours the woman was found safe.

These are just a few examples of how our Team works with local law enforcement agencies.

Flagler County Assist REACT takes its' CB Channel 9 monitoring very seriously. It is why Flagler County Assist became a REACT Team and it is why REACT is here.

The Team also gives direct support to the Flagler County Department



of Emergency Management also referred to as the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The Team is represented in the EOC's communications and warning division. Flagler County Assist REACT provides personnel at the EOC to operate the county and state radio systems during emergencies.

REACT Team #4800 is well represented in the community. The Team actively participates in public service events, severe weather spotting, and are called on to assist in searches for lost children and adults.

Our Team's main means of communications is the CB Radio. However, several members also have other communications such as Amateur radio, and the 27.490 MHz low band frequency, as well as cellular phones.

*This will become an ongoing series.*

*We need your reports of Channel 9 assistance calls.*

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# Travis County Controls Crowds at 10K Race

By Jim Coker, Vice President of Operations  
Travis County REACT #3022, Texas



On March 24, members of Travis County REACT Team #3022 of Austin, Texas, were assigned to crowd control duties at the 19th Annual Capitol 10K, "The People's Race", sponsored by the Austin American-Statesmen. Proceeds from the race go to Habitat for Humanity.

The race begins a block north of the State Capital with wheelchair racers starting at 8:30 a.m., "elite" runners at 8:45, and the "public race" at 9:00. TCR members, along with four members of Bexar County REACT and one each from San Antonio REACT and Canyon Lake REACT, gathered at 7:00 a.m., for assignments. Some members were sent to the starting area; the rest

were deployed to the finish line area.

Two members - Charlie and Patti Land (Units 542 and 540) - and prospective member Jimmy Conn were assigned to watch the entrance to a hotel two blocks from the starting line, where a few runners have congregated before past races to give themselves a bit of a head start. Fortunately, the only runners caught sneaking into the race this year wore white number tags, indicating that they were registered for the "public race", which is untimed anyway. None of the "elite" runners, who are timed and are eligible for prizes, were caught cheating.

One of the more notable runners was Texas Governor George W. Bush, who entered the "public race" and finished the 6-mile course in a little under 45 minutes, a respectable pace, and slightly better than his time last year.

As usual, there were a few reports of runners collapsing due to dehydration or exhaustion. The only serious incident was a runner who experienced a heart attack just after crossing the finish line. He collapsed very considerably in front of the medical tent! EMS personnel quickly revived him, and he was released from a local hospital two days later.

TCR members who participated included Stuart DeLuca, TCR President; Paula Coker, control operator;

Jim Coker, Robert Wood, Marshall Spear, Bill Pittman, William Bothager, Roger Wines, JoAnn Wilson, and Charlie and Patti Land. Bexar County members were David Ennist, BCR President; Lee Besing (accompanied by his son, David), Alfred Fronerfield and Donna Hardigee. Alfred and Donna operated the SAG truck following the 18,000-plus runners. Roy Botello of San Antonio REACT and Jim Luker of Canyon Lake REACT also helped. The Austin Radio Communications Club provided the use of their business-band repeater and several handheld radios.

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

**Kathleen Coyne  
Recording  
for the Blind, Inc.  
404 W. 30th Street  
Austin, TX 78705  
(512) 477-9390**





# Publicizing REACT

By Fred Lanshe, PR Committee Chair

## What are those guys up to again...

The Public Relations Committee is again working with all the REACTers in mind and continuing to get the word out and have found some more corpo-

rate supporters that we are trying to get on board. We need your help.

We need the help of the Teams and Councils. We need you to make clear copies of any Letters of Appreciation/Thanks, Proclamations and newspaper articles with the various letterhead from all the different public service agencies and civic organizations your Teams/Councils have received during this year and all of 1995. And if you can send this clear copy to REACT Headquarters attention Public Relations

Committee - Special Project, we would appreciate it.

## REACT works in mysterious ways...

Recently the Eastern Pennsylvania Emergency Medical Services Council approached the LEMA/REACT of Allentown, PA with a problem and were hoping that REACT could help them out.

Since they train the new Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics for the region; they wanted to stimulate the actual radio transmissions they will be engaged in. Several LEMA/REACT members went to try to help out. These Team members using their GMRS radios on simplex mode and low power; were able to do the trick.

These new trainees are able to see, feel and handle the same type of radios that they might be using in their new field. LEMA members, who already work full time in these areas, acted out the parts of a Police/EMS/Fire Communications Radio Dispatch Center, the Responding Hospital Center and these new trainees as actual ambulance crew. As part of their training, these students practice for several hours and also take part of their certification through the EMS Council. The EMS Council was appreciative that REACT was able to help out "behind the scenes" once again.

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## More REACT Anniversaries...

### REACT salutes one of its own...

The Pennsylvania Communications Council, Inc. dba PA Council of REACT Teams saluted the President of the Harrisburg Area REACT and its own Central Area Vice President Steve V. Gobat. Steve assisted greatly with lifesaving communications during the Harrisburg Flood of 1996, during the severe snow storms and flooding that followed in their region. Steve, we salute you.

### The PR, Amateur and the GMRS Committees needs your help...

The PR, Amateur and GMRS Committees are combining their talents and requesting help from the REACT Councils and Teams.

We are requesting for your Team/Council to put down on paper or your state map; your approximate GMRS and Ham repeater locations and draw circles around it; first where you have full coverage with handhelds, then full mobile coverage, then fringe coverage with high power mobiles.

If your team shares a repeater with other users or owners ask their permission first.

Also to differentiate it is a GMRS and which frequencies are covered, Amateur and which frequencies are covered and which tone access is needed.

We are interesting in putting information together for REACTers and transient travelers that may need assistance as we update our information.

Send the above information to REACT International Headquarters at P.O. Box 998, Wichita, KS 67201 or fax to (316) 263-2118.

Last issue REACT Headquarters announced the Teams who are celebrating 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25 year anniversaries in 1996 and received certificates commemorating the event.

After the certificates were mailed Headquarters received word that several Teams, not mentioned in the article or mailed a certificate, were also celebrating a 5, 10, 15, 20 or 25 year anniversary.

The anniversary dates of all REACT Teams are maintained on the database at Headquarters. Each year Teams are asked to verify information pertaining to their Team during the renewal cycle.

Please double check the informa-

tion received in your renewal packet for any omissions or errors, and notify Headquarters of any changes.

Below are more REACT Teams celebrating anniversaries.

#### 20 Year

- #C053 Tidewater REACT, Virginia
- #3030 Empire Central REACT, New York

#### 25 Year

- #2106 Prince George's County REACT, Maryland
- #2194 Daytona Beach REACT, Florida
- #2209 Mon Valley REACT, West Virginia

## New REACT Teams Chartered

- #4948 OH-KY-IN REACT  
Cincinnati, OH (Hamilton)  
February 2, 1996
- #4949 REACT Brunswick County  
Winnabow, NC (Brunswick)  
February 2, 1996
- #4950 Bexar County REACT  
San Antonio, TX (Bexar)  
March 5, 1996
- #4951 Harvey County REACT  
Halstead, KS (Harvey)  
March 22, 1996
- #4952 River Bend REACT  
Muscatine, IA (Muscatine)  
March 27, 1996
- #4953 Sullivan County REACT  
Mongaup Valley, NY (Sullivan)  
April 1, 1996

# Independent Auditor's Report

The Board of Directors  
REACT International, Inc.:

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of REACT International, Inc., as of December 31, 1995 and 1994, 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, 1995 and 1994, and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The statement of activity -

actual vs budget on page 21, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our

opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

January 24, 1996

Lee Cropp & Associates, CPA's, P.A.

## REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC. STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITY FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	1995	1994
<b>REVENUES FROM MEMBERS:</b>		
Dues	\$ 107,810	\$ 123,509
Team charters	1,060	1,890
Life membership (Note 1)	4,119	3,973
International dues	740	954
Affiliate dues	3,110	3,649
Total revenues from members	117,229	136,064
<b>OTHER REVENUE AND SUPPORT:</b>		
REACTer advertising income	285	417
REACTer subscriptions	146	55
Gross profit on sale of REACT I.D. material (Note 2)	2,540	6,794
Training income less expenses	708	102
Contributions	5,731	3,528
Interest income	2,743	1,850
Dividend income	2,310	1,334
Realized gain on investments	2,338	332
Unrealized gain(loss) on investments	614	(4,313)
Miscellaneous income	1,035	1,218
Gain on sale of asset	325	-
Total other revenue and support	18,844	11,310
Total revenues	136,073	147,374
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
Membership services and communications -		
direct membership benefits:		
REACTer	22,797	21,116
Membership kits and materials	-	3,193
Team charters	128	378
Life membership materials	23	6
Team topics	3,050	1,493
Membership advertising	1,824	393
Affiliate expenses	191	-
Team insurance (Note 3)	5,602	2,132
	33,892	28,908
Membership services and communications -		
indirect membership benefits:		
Reimbursement of state councils	1,931	849
Council incentive	284	235
Board of Directors expense (Note 4)	13,486	8,453
Convention expenses	137	589
Corporate committee (Note 4)	-	10,916
Consulting fees (Note 4)	-	5,000
Awards	32	65
Postage and freight	6,896	5,623
Telephone - long distance to team and members	1,361	1,669
Board elections	327	345
	24,456	33,763
Total membership services and communications expenses	58,348	62,672
General and administrative expenses:		
Salaries	45,150	39,708
Rent and utilities	9,191	9,127
Audit and accounting	5,624	5,245
Legal	2,894	556
Office supplies and expense	4,167	3,151
Insurance	368	343
Headquarters travel	391	397
Maintenance and repairs	1,852	2,141
Dues and subscriptions	723	873
Payroll taxes	3,568	3,032
Depreciation expense	3,139	3,748
Telephone	1,577	1,550
Miscellaneous expense	2,123	1,184
Advertising	125	-
Lease expense (Note 2)	864	-
Write off obsolete inventory (Note 3)	3,922	-
Prior year inventory (Note 3)	1,118	-
Total general and administrative expenses	86,706	71,955
Total expenses	145,054	134,627
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses for the year	\$ (8,241)	\$ 11,652

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC.  
BALANCE SHEETS  
DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC.  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY - ACTUAL VS BUDGET  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

**ASSETS**

	1995	1994
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>		
Cash (Note 1)	\$ 14,960	\$ 17,960
Investments (Note 1)	80,652	76,644
Accounts receivable	-	122
Inventory (Note 1)	17,400	19,882
Prepaid expenses	614	10,764
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>113,632</b>	<b>125,352</b>
<b>PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, (Note 1):</b>		
Computer equipment	15,927	11,109
Furniture and equipment	6,468	12,780
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,395</b>	<b>23,849</b>
Less accumulated depreciation	13,635	17,000
<b>Property and equipment, net</b>	<b>8,740</b>	<b>6,849</b>
<b>OTHER ASSETS:</b>		
Security deposits	775	775
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 123,147</b>	<b>\$ 132,976</b>

**LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY**

	1995	1994
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,511	\$ 3,839
Deferred income - dues (Note 1)	29,254	25,383
Accrued salaries	640	488
Accrued payroll taxes	974	885
Compensated absences (Note 6)	640	2,282
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>33,019</b>	<b>32,887</b>
<b>LONG-TERM LIABILITIES:</b>		
REACT memorial payments	1,511	1,411
Life members donations	129	129
Unearned life membership dues (Note 1)	82,429	79,434
Earned life membership dues (Note 1)	(79,110)	(74,921)
<b>Total long-term liabilities</b>	<b>44,959</b>	<b>45,983</b>
<b>MEMBERS' EQUITY:</b>		
Donated equity	1,800	1,800
Fund balance -		
Balance, beginning of year	52,310	40,657
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses for the year	(8,941)	11,652
<b>Balance, end of year</b>	<b>43,369</b>	<b>52,309</b>
<b>Total members' equity</b>	<b>45,169</b>	<b>54,109</b>
<b>Total liabilities and members' equity</b>	<b>\$ 123,147</b>	<b>\$ 132,976</b>

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

	Actual	Budget	Variance*
<b>Revenue:</b>			
Dues	\$ 112,060	\$ 123,050	\$ 10,990
Team charters	1,060	800	(260)
Gross profit on sales	2,548	5,000	2,452
Contributions	5,731	500	(5,231)
Training income less expenses	708	(290)	(998)
REACTer subscriptions	146	55	(91)
Advertising income	285	500	215
Investment income	8,046	2,000	(6,046)
Miscellaneous income	1,055	500	(555)
Life members earned	4,119	-	(4,119)
Gain on sale of asset	325	-	(325)
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>136,083</b>	<b>132,115</b>	<b>(3,968)</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
REACTer	22,797	22,500	(297)
Membership kits and materials	-	2,500	2,500
Team charters	128	800	672
Team topics	3,050	2,500	(550)
Membership advertising	1,824	2,000	176
Council reimbursements	1,931	1,200	(731)
Council incentive	284	200	(84)
Board of directors expense	13,486	15,500	2,014
Convention expenses	137	800	663
Postage & freight	6,896	6,800	(96)
Telephone - long distance	1,361	1,250	(111)
Salaries	45,150	40,800	(4,350)
Rent and utilities	9,101	9,400	299
Audit and accounting	5,624	5,300	(324)
Legal	2,894	5,000	2,106
Office supplies	4,167	2,500	(1,667)
Insurance	368	400	32
Headquarters travel	391	1,800	1,409
Maintenance and repairs	1,852	1,800	(52)
Dues and subscriptions	723	1,000	277
Payroll taxes	3,568	3,500	(68)
Depreciation	3,129	3,500	361
Board elections	329	-	(329)
Telephone	1,577	1,625	48
Team insurance	5,849	-	(5,849)
Corporate committee	-	500	500
Gobel award	32	100	68
Grant writing expense	-	2,000	2,000
Miscellaneous	2,123	750	(1,373)
Life membership materials	23	-	(23)
Affiliate expenses	191	-	(191)
Advertising	125	-	(125)
Lease expense	864	-	(864)
Write off obsolete inventory	3,922	-	(3,922)
Prior year inventory	1,118	-	(1,118)
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>145,024</b>	<b>136,025</b>	<b>(8,999)</b>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenses for the year</b>	<b>\$ (8,941)</b>	<b>\$ (3,910)</b>	<b>\$ (5,031)</b>

\*NOTE: Revenue amounts in parentheses in the Variance column represent income in excess of budgeted revenues. Expense amounts in parentheses represent amounts actually spent in excess of amounts budgeted.

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

REACT INTERNATIONAL, INC.  
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995 AND 1994

	1995	1994		1995	1994
<b>SOURCES OF WORKING CAPITAL:</b>			<b>CHANGES IN COMPONENTS OF WORKING CAPITAL:</b>		
Operations:			Increase (decrease) in current assets:		
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expense for the year	\$ (8,941)	\$ 11,652	Cash and investments	\$ 1,014	\$ (5,240)
Items not affecting working capital:			Accounts receivable	(122)	(118)
Depreciation expense	3,129	3,748	Inventory	(2,482)	(880)
Earned life membership dues	(4,120)	(3,972)	Prepaid expense	(10,130)	(9,891)
<b>Total provided by operations</b>	<b>(9,932)</b>	<b>11,427</b>	<b>Decrease (increase) in current liabilities:</b>	<b>(11,720)</b>	<b>4,645</b>
Decrease in security deposits	-	325	Deferred income - dues	(3,871)	8,099
Increase in life member donations	-	6	Accounts payable	2,328	(274)
Increase in unearned life memberships	2,993	1,105	Accrued payroll taxes	(90)	(2)
Increase in REACT memorial payments	108	200	Accrued salaries	(152)	(42)
<b>Total adjustments</b>	<b>(6,831)</b>	<b>(13,963)</b>	Compensated absences	1,647	(20)
<b>USES OF WORKING CAPITAL:</b>			<b>DECREASED INCREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL</b>	<b>\$ (11,850)</b>	<b>\$ (17,720)</b>
Additions to property and equipment	5,820	867			
<b>DECREASED INCREASE IN WORKING CAPITAL</b>	<b>\$ (11,850)</b>	<b>\$ (17,720)</b>			

See accompanying notes and auditors' report.

**REACT International, Inc.**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**  
**December 31, 1995 and 1994**

1) Description of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

The Corporation is a nonprofit 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. REACT is exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3).

a) Cash consists of \$14,866 in a checking account and \$100 in a petty cash fund.

b) Investments

Investments are carried at market value. Investments consist of the following as of December 31:

	1995	1994
Intrust - Money Maximizer	\$ -	\$ 21,531
Smith Barney:		
U.S. Treasury Notes	7,512	6,989
Duff & Phelps Utilities	-	4,772
Franklin Univ Trust Shares	-	6,200
FNMA REMIC MCB Series 1993	-	5,295
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. Note	10,425	9,922
Cash Funds	6,948	479
Commercial Net Lease	5,100	-
Gen'l Elec Capital	15,398	-
RJR Nabisco	10,325	-
Paramount Comm	10,149	-
Occidental Petro	10,150	-
Janus Fund	-	21,456
Vanguard	4,030	-
Vanguard	615	-
	<u>\$ 80,652</u>	<u>\$ 76,644</u>

The following details the amount reported as unrealized loss on investments at December 31, 1995

	Cost	Market	Gain/(Loss)
Smith Barney:			
U.S. Treasury Notes	\$ 6,902	\$ 7,512	\$ 610
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. Notes	9,700	10,425	725
Commercial Net Lease	5,479	5,100	(379)
Gen'l Elec Capital	15,390	15,399	9
RJR Nabisco	10,368	10,325	(43)
Paramount Comm	10,254	10,150	(104)
Occidental Petro	<u>10,354</u>	<u>10,150</u>	<u>(204)</u>
Unrealized gain	\$ 68,477	\$ 69,061	\$ 614

c) Inventory

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

d) 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.

e) 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 the liability account Deferred income-dues.

f) Unearned/Earned Life Membership Dues

Since the inception of the life membership program, in 1980, \$82,429 has been received. The life membership dues are amortized over 20 years and allows an individual to be a member for his or her life without further dues. The amount amortized to date is \$39,110. The current amortization is \$4,119. There is no obligation on REACT International, Inc. to refund this money upon termination of the organization.

REACT is investing the amount not amortized on life members, and will use the earnings to cover the costs

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associated with maintaining life members. The amount of \$43,319 (\$82,429-\$39,110) has been invested. Of the total investments in Note 1, \$43,319 is for life members and the remaining for REACT operations.

## 2) LEASE COMMITMENTS:

### Lease agreements for office space

On April 1, 1993, the Corporation renewed the existing lease agreement with respect to its Wichita, Kansas office for an additional three years. The term calls for the Company to pay monthly installments of \$550.

### Lease agreement for copier

On August 29, 1995, the Corporation entered into a lease agreement with respect to its' copier for 5 years. The terms call for the Company to pay monthly installments of \$432.00 starting in December 1995 and an initial security deposit of \$432.00 at inception.

## 3) INVENTORY:

### Obsolete inventory write off

In February 1995, the Board decided to write off obsolete inventory.

### Prior year inventory

The following amounts were paid to J.O. Pollack for inventory items sold in prior years. J.O. Pollack never billed REACT for the amounts until 1995.

1992	\$ 594
1993	336
1994	<u>188</u>
	\$1,118

## 4) BOARD OF DIRECTORS EXPENSES:

Board of Directors expenses include telephone conferences, expenses incurred in electing board members, travel and expenses for members to attend Board of Directors meetings and the annual convention.

In addition, a committee was set up during 1994 to define the purpose and long-range goals of REACT. The committee incurred \$10,916 of expenses which included (but is not limited to) supplies, travel, meals and mileage reimbursements. Consulting fees of \$5,000 were paid to the chairman of the committee. A report was prepared and submitted to the Board, which has taken its recommendations under advisement. The committee was disbanded upon completion of its tasks and no further expenses will be incurred.

## 5) INSURANCE:

During 1995 and 1994, REACT did not collect enough team insurance fees to cover the insurance premium for the liability and bonding. REACT paid \$5,849 and \$2,325, respectively to cover the teams, and will not recover the amount from the teams.

## 6) COMPENSATED ABSENCES:

Employees accumulate vacation leave benefits at the rate of one week for the first year and two weeks thereafter. Accumulated earned vacation leave at December 31, 1995 and 1994, amounted to \$640 and \$2,289, respectively. The liability for compensated absences has been recorded as an accrued liability in accordance with FASB Statement 43.

## 7) GROSS PROFIT ON SALE:

The following is the detail of gross profit on sale of REACT I.D. material:

	1995	1994
Sales	\$ 9,946	\$ 13,335
Cost of goods sold	<u>(7,398)</u>	<u>(6,541)</u>
Gross profit	\$ 2,548	\$ 6,794

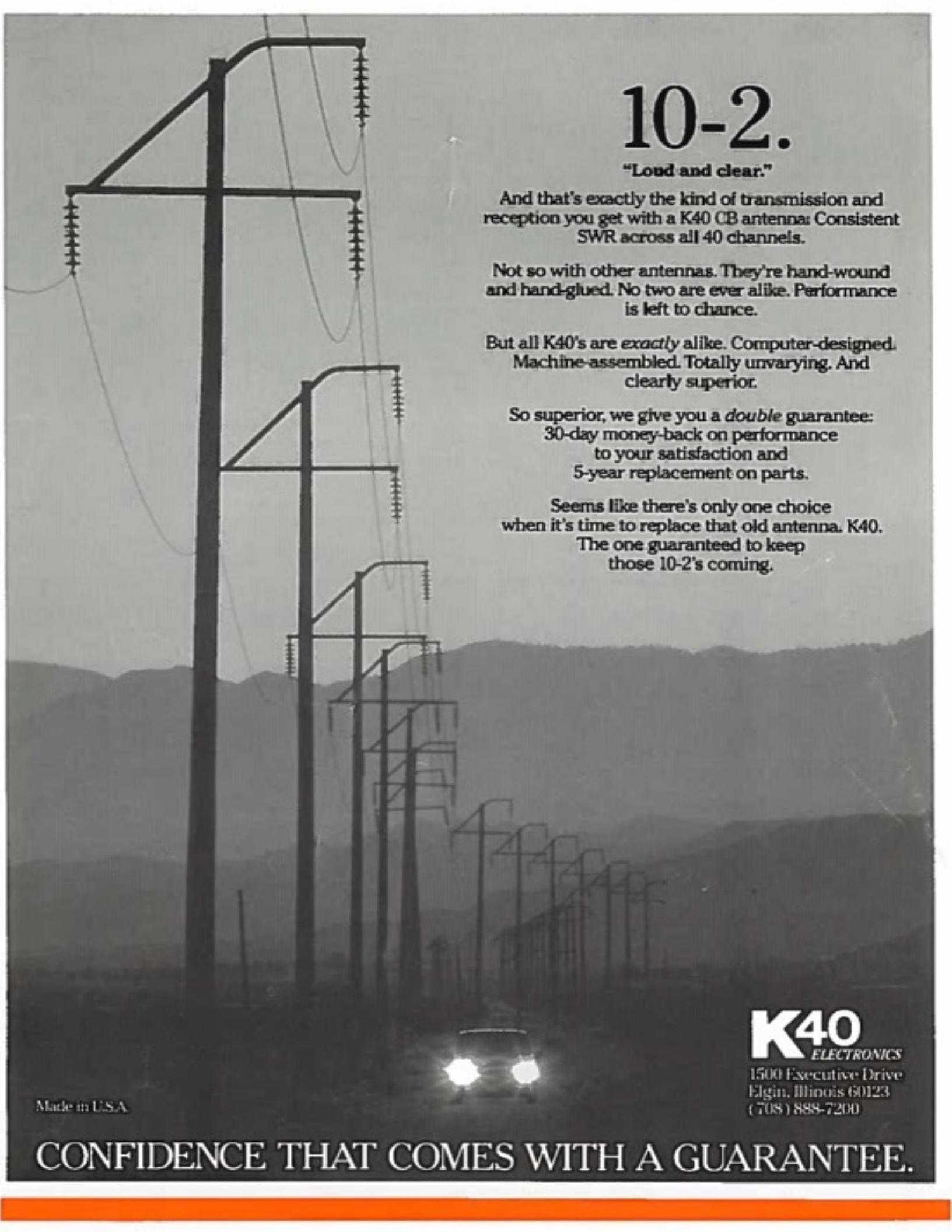
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Some geographical areas utilize the 911 emergency number, but many states have a star number, such as \*477 or \*GSP (Georgia State Patrol). This is for direct access to the state patrol to report problems by cellular phone while on the interstate highway. Many teams have sent us the number used in their area, but the list is not complete. Please send the cellular phone emergency number in your area to:

Life REACT, Team #4882  
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