## WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC December 6, 2005

After everyone at the monthly WCEC meeting enjoyed a great Christmas dinner, a very short business, to make it legal, was called to order at about 7:15 pm by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/Unit 251 President. There were 30 members and guests present.

Minutes from the November 1, 2005, meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

A report on the 147.255 repeater system, was held off until the January meeting.

A report on a trailer to replace MOBILECOM-1, was held off until the January meeting.

Ken, WA8LLM, reminded everyone about getting their medical information sheets filled out and turned in so that he can finish their 2006 WCEC ID Card.

A report on the Amateur Radio Class that was being taught at the Civil Air Patrol was held off until the January meeting.

A report of a grant for the Alinco DR-135 and DR-435 radios was held off until the January meeting.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report about the Criminal Justice Class exercise which was held on November 11th at WVUP.

There was a reminder of the W5YI Amateur Radio VE testing on December 10th at the E-911 Center at 6:00 pm.

Ken, WA8LLM, gave a report on the Thanksgiving Safety Break. A few comments were made about the activity.

There was a reminder about the Christmas and New Years Safety breaks that were coming up. Ken, WA8LLM, said the dates were wrong on the agenda. The right dates were: Christmas Safety Break would be from noon on Saturday, December 24th through, 6:00 pm, Monday, December 26th.

The New Years Safety Break would be from noon on Saturday, December 31st, through 6:00 pm, Monday, January, 2, 2006. The schedules were passed around so that everyone could see what shift they might be able to work.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Ken, WA8LLM, said that he got a telephone call from the radio station asking if the communications group was going to be helping at the Christmas Parade in Parkersburg on Saturday, December 10th. Ken said that anyone who could help with the parade to be at 12th and Market at about 12:00 noon, since the parade starts at 2:00 pm.

Ken, WA8LLM, said that he had been contacted by someone, asking if the Amateur Radio operators in Wood and Washington Counties would be able to provide communications between six softball fields in Marietta, Belpre, Vienna, and Parkersburg. There will be about 200 Softball teams participating in a Fast Pitch Softball Tour. The activity will be held on the 4th weekend in June. The 4th weekend in June is same weekend as Field Day. Maybe we can find people that don't want to participate in Field Day, but does enjoy Softball or Baseball and would help provide the communications that are required. Ken said that he would be going to a meeting on Wednesday, December 7th, to find out more information about the event.

Ken, WA8LLM, said that he got a letter from Mountwood Park giving the date of the Challenge At Mountwood Mountain Bike Race. The date is Sunday, April 23, 2006.

Bob, KB8RNE, wanted to know if there was a way the Coffee and Orange Drink Urns could be secured to the table at the safety break. He said that one of them got knocked off during the Thanksgiving Safety Break. Ken, WA8LLM, said that he would do something to secure them for the Christmas and New Year Safety Breaks.

Dave, KC8VLK, gave a report on the new addition to his and Amy's family. Their daughter, Emily Nicole was born November 27th, she weighed 3 lb 8 oz, and was 16 inches long.

## THOSE IN ATTENDANCE

Ken Harris WA8LLM/Unit 251, Dot Harris KC8HAI/Unit 258, Cathy Wotring KC8DJJ/Unit 257, Colt Wotring Unit 299G, Kymber Wotring Unit 299I, Denise Magyarosi-Mills KC8TUF/Unit 290, Terry Mills KC8TUE/Unit 289,

Krista Mills KC8VLJ/Unit 295, Tricia Magyarosi KC8VLI/Unit 294, Rick Greene KC8VLM/Unit 265, Jennifer Greene KC8UYB/Unit 264, Ryan Riser Unit 299A, Kyle Riser Unit 299B, Dave Wright KC8ZZX/Unit 285, Juanita Wright, Larry Wotring KC8TRQ/Unit 261, Ken Riffle KB8QPW/Unit 268, Pam Riffle KC8NLD/Unit 272, Roger McGee KB8QPX/Unit 271, Kathy McGee, Bob Smith KB8RNE/Unit 267, Mary Smith Unit 299F, Judy Peterson N8UFQ/Unit 255, Kendale Peterson Unit 299E, Jim Peterson. Lisa Hendershot KB8UER/Unit 270, Anna Hendershot, KC8JWW/Unit 263, David Stevens KC8VLK/Unit 274, Duane Jones N8LDM/Unit 260/ES-2, Scott Jones Unit 299C,