



October 3, 2016

Location: Larry's Pizza, Cantrell Road, Little Rock, AR
5:30 p.m. for dinner; meeting and program starts at 6:30 p.m.

GUEST SPEAKER: Todd Yakoubian, W1BSE, Meteorologist from KATV Channel 7

Todd provided historical information regarding the Mayflower/Vilonia tornado event that occurred April 27, 2014.

He further discussed:

- Past snow accumulations in Arkansas;
- Various models and factors contributing to the winter forecast for the USA;
- Influences in the sea surfaces;
- Weather anomaly in Alaska;
- Arkansas Weather App
- Drone update:
 - FAA regulations were finalized;
 - Examination requirement for a license;
 - Safety restrictions
 - The television station partnered with Virginia Tech.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: These officers begin serving on January 1, 2017

President: Steven Hicks, W5NLR

Vice President: Sam Baldwin, N5SRB

Secretary-Treasurer: Margie Wofford, KG5EPM (re-elected for a 2nd term)

Board Member: Ron Stailey, KG5RON (replacing N5SRB, who was elected VP)

Board Member: Mike Clay, AC5XV (replacing N5QLC)

Immediate Past President: Randy Wright, AE5RW

Trustee: Tim Leet, K5TEL (Board Appointed)

Chief Engineer: Joel Echols, N5QLC (Board Appointed)

Sam Baldwin encouraged members to become more active because there are a lot of activities that go on behind the scenes.

Tim Leet introduced his wife, Dana, KG5PLP, and stated she will be conducting a "Ladies Night" Net on Thursdays, beginning this Thursday, October 6th, 7 PM, on AR Links.

RECORD ATTENDANCE: 44 Members and Guests in Attendance

Finally, we held a raffle drawing for a Tytera® MD-380 hand held DMR radio, won by Mike Clay, AC5XV.

NOTE: Our next meeting will be on MONDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 9th, 2017 –NOT ON JANUARY 2nd. This is due to January 1st falling on a Sunday, which causes January 2nd to be observed as a holiday for many.