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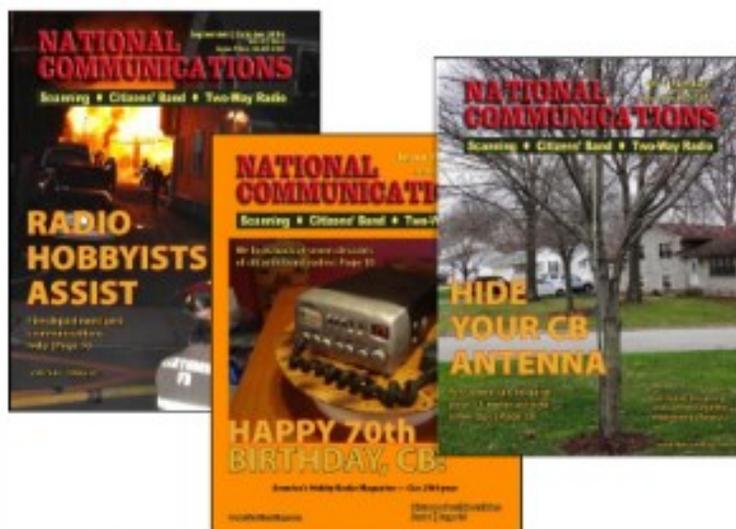
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REACT International is looking for a Editor for The *REACT*er! This position offers a nominal salary, which will be determined at the time of hire. The successful candidate will have excellent writing skills, the ability to collect information and news, particularly Team News, for the magazine, and be able to work either with Adobe InDesign, Adobe Page-maker. The *REACT*er is the primary communications tool between the members and *REACT* International and so plays a very important part in the organization.

Contact *REACT* International Office at (301) 316-2900 or email at RI.HQ@REACTIntl.org



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LIFE MEMBER COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN NOMINATIONS

The time has once again come to elect a Life Member Committee Chairman.

The LM Committee Chairman oversees the Life Member roster, keeping it up to date and keeping Life Members up to date as to happenings in *REACT* and also solicits their input on issues that affect *REACT*.

If you are a Life Member and wish to be considered for this position, call *REACT* International at 301-316-2900 and tell the staff member who answers that you wish to submit a nomination. They will be sure to get a form to you that you can fill out and return. If RI does not have a picture of you, make sure you submit one.

CALL 301-316-2900 to enter a nomination

MINUTES
REACT International Board Meeting
March 1, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. PDT via Zoom teleconference., by Chairman Capodanno.

Roll call was taken by Chairman Capodanno, Minutes Taken by Lorinda Fong.

Directors:

R1 – John Mahon - Present
R2 – Vacant
R3 – Joe Zych - Present
R4 – Matthew Vizzuso - Present
R5 – Vacant
R6 – Vacant
R7 – Jerry Jones – Present
R8 – John Capodanno - Present
R9 – Ravindranath Goswami – Present

Officers:

President – John Capodanno - Present
Executive Vice President – Christopher Wiackley – Present
Secretary – Lorinda Fong - Present
Assistant Secretary – Vacant
Treasurer – Russ Dunn - Absent
Assistant Treasurer – Vacant

Guests Present:

None

It was confirmed that a Quorum was established.

Approval of Agenda

Director Capodanno moved to accept the agenda, second by Director Zych.
R1-Y R3-Y R4-Y R7-Y R8-Y R9-Y Motion Passed.

Approval of Minutes

Director Capodanno moved to approve the minutes from January 23, 2023, second by Director Jones.
R1-Y R3-Y R4-Y R7-Y R8-Y R9-Y Motion Passed.

All Reports

Directors and Officers gave their reports.

Election of Standing Committees

January 23, 2023, was table all corporate committees after June 2023,
Finance Committee, Office Review, Membership committee

Next Meeting

June 30, 2023

Adjournment

Director Capodanno moved to adjourn at 6:22 PM PDT, second by Director Vizzuso.
R1-Y R3-Y R4-Y R7-Y R8-Y R9-Y Motion Passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorinda Fong

Central Alabama *REACT* donates weather radios to local citizens

Article submitted by Tracey Corello

Photographs by Christopher Whitten

Central Alabama *REACT* Team 6262 and the Dekalb County Severe Weather Team have decided to help others needing weather radios. The Central Alabama *REACT* Team has joined forces with the Dekalb County Severe Weather Team to donate the weather radios to people who may not otherwise be able to receive severe weather notices.

Both teams have noticed and have been in talks about ways to give people a free weather radio, so we decided to get the weather radios and donate to those who cannot always get weather information, especially with the recent tornadoes in both Alabama and Mississippi.

Christopher Whitten (R-5), who is a part of both Central Alabama *REACT* and the Dekalb Severe Weather Team bought the first weather radio as a pilot program to see how others would respond to receiving a free weather radio from both teams.

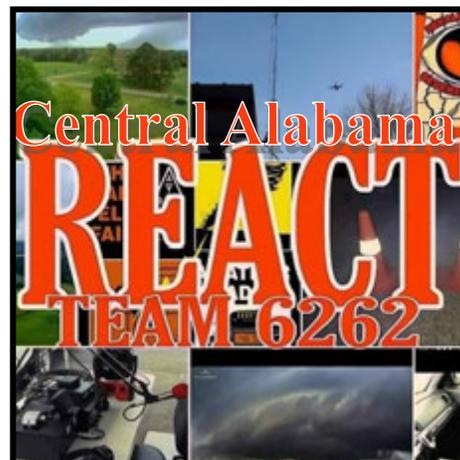


The Midland Weather Radio donated by the two Teams.



Ms. Tina Maria Taylor-Weathers and daughter

The first weather radio went to Ms. Tina Marie Taylor-Weathers, a single mother. We notified her via Facebook messenger and Christopher Whitten met with her. She was very appreciative for having gotten this weather radio. Ms. Taylor-Weathers picked up the weather radio on Saturday, April 8th, 2023.



Ed. Note: To better identify the Team, I altered the Team logo I got from Facebook to add the Team name

REACT of Cleveland County

7th Inning Stretch Festival



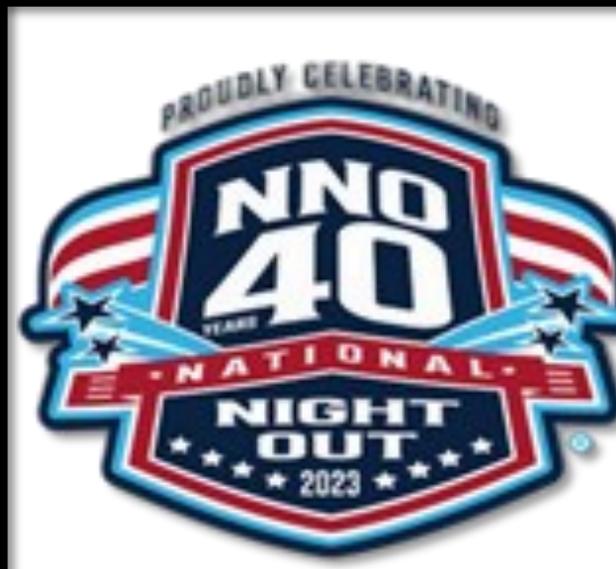
Richmond County REACT

National night out Against Crime



Loa Angeles County REACT

National Night Out



MCTX-REACT

REACT awareness event and to meet some of our local residents. Free water to all to stay hydrated!



Virtual Amateur Radio Training Course – Technician Class - Completed

Submitted by: Ravindranath “Robby” Goswami, 9Y4R/NZ4RG, Region 9 Director

A virtual amateur radio training course, Technician Class (2022-2026 Syllabus), was held between April and July 2023. Sessions were held on Friday evenings at 8:30 pm (UTC-4), with each session being approximately 1 hour duration, for a total of 16 sessions.

There was a total of 495 participants from around the world, including the USA, Canada, Trinidad and Tobago, St. Lucia, Barbados, Ecuador, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, St. Kitts and Nevis, Dominica, British Virgin Islands, India, Aruba, Bangladesh, Guyana, and the Cayman Islands.

Thanks to all of the participants for their interest, questions posed, and their commitment to becoming licensed amateur radio operators.

The course is now available as an on-demand course at <http://tvids.ttreact.com/>



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CLASSES START ON FRIDAY 14th APRIL 2023 AT 8:30PM AST

The General Class course will commence shortly and will be announced here in The *REACT*er as well as via the *REACT* Radiogram.

Remember that *REACT* offers several courses, and members are encouraged to consider taking them.

Happy Training!



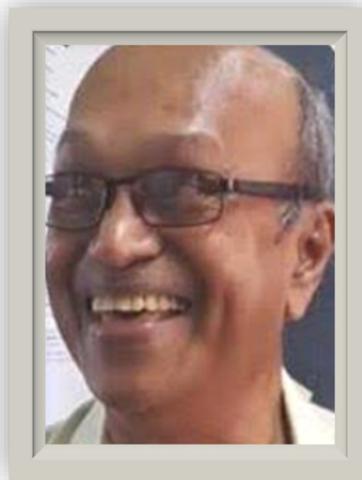
Silent Mics



It is with a heavy heart that we inform the *REACT* Family of the passing of these members

Khazlur Baksh

1953 - 2023



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of *REACT*er, Khazlur Baksh, *REACT* Unit 203 of Team 4928 (formerly *REACT* Unit 345 of Team 2496), who left us on the 28th of July, 2023. He was a Life Member (#575) and a licensed amateur radio operator 9Z4AF.

We extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, and teammates.

Khaz, as he was known by most, was a long-serving *REACT* member and a very active *REACT*er. He served in many positions, including Team President and Technical Director. He was a respected technical guru, a mentor to many, and an inspiration to all, especially the youth.

His passing is indeed a great loss to *REACT* and the wider community, and he will be greatly missed by all.

The funeral for the late Khazlur Baksh was held on Saturday, 29th July 2023.

May he Rest In Peace.

DEATH...

leaves a heartache no one can heal;

LOVE...

leaves a memory no can steal.





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INCLUDE PICTURES—attach them to your email—don't send .PDFs

(Caption: **WHO**, **WHAT** and **WHERE** each picture shows)

NAME of Photographer

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EVEN MORE!

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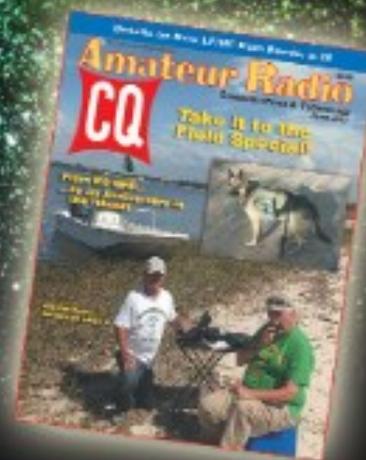


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