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From the Shack

We are getting close to Christmas! Man, the time blew by!

THANK YOU

Special thanks go out to **Anthony (K8ZT)** and **Ken (KA8OAD)** for the great presentations they gave for the club — great job, gentlemen! Thanks also to the Canton nurses who were missed in the last newsletter's round of recognition. Thank you for spending your time and knowledge with us.

UP NEXT: CHILI COOK-OFF

October 21st is the club chili cook-off. Everyone is welcome — submit an entry, or just come out and sample what everyone else brought.

OHIO UPCOMING HAMFESTS

The ARRL Ohio Section lists five between now and the end of the year. The nearest one to us is a short drive.

Oct 10	**Williams County ARA Hamfest** Montpelier — far northwest corner, about 3 hours.
Oct 11	**Ashland Trunkfest** Ashland County Fairgrounds, 1740 South Baney Rd — roughly an hour from Akron.
Nov 1	**Massillon ARC Hamfest at MAPS** North Canton — **our local one**, about 25 minutes, hosted at the MAPS Air Museum by the Massillon Amateur Radio Club (w8np.net).
Nov 7	**Georgetown / Grant ARC Hamfest** Georgetown — down near Cincinnati.
Dec 5	**FCARC Winter Hamfest** Delta — northwest Ohio.

CROOKED RIVER ARC — NEXT TESTING SESSION

October 24th, 10:00 AM — 2406 Ardwel Ave. Visit **W8CRC.org** for details, or call **330-786-8088**.

A Parting Thought

There's more to this hobby than antennas and propagation charts. Field Day comes around every June and it remains the best weekend of the year — a couple of dozen people, some folding tables, a generator, and the shared discovery that a wire thrown into a tree really does reach across the country. The picnics matter just as much, maybe more. Nobody logs a contact over a paper plate of potato salad, but that's where the actual club gets built: the questions people are too embarrassed to ask on the air, the spare rig that changes hands, the VE tests where a newcomer who shows up curious leaves licensed. **Anthony (K8ZT)** and **Ken (KA8OAD)** have been a big part of that, as well as the programs we run through the year — the exam mornings, the public service events — which only happen because people keep turning up. If you've been meaning to come out to one, this is your nudge. All of this makes up the world of ham radio.

Until the next meeting or event,

73 de N8OQP — Pat