

Cathay January 2019

www.cathayradio.org

President: George Chong, W6BUR **email:** W6BUR@comcast.net

Vice President North: Leonard Tom, NX6E **email:** nx6e@hotmail.com

Vice President South: Bill Fong, W6BBA - **email:** w6bba@arrl.net

Secretary/Membership: Rodney Yee, KJ6DZI - **email:** rodyee2000@yahoo.com

Editor: Rodney Yee, KJ6DZI - **email:** rodyee2000@yahoo.com

Treasurer: Vince Chinn aka Mingie, W6EE - **email:** vince@vincechinncpa.com

Web Master: Edison Fong – WB6/QN - **email:** edison_fong@hotmail.com

Mission: The Cathay Amateur Radio Club is basically an active social club of Ham Radio Operators and their spouses. We support local community requests for HAM emergency communications. Several of us are trained in CPR/ First Aid and are involved with community disaster preparedness.

Monday Night Net Time: 9 PM Local Time/PST,

Repeater: WB6TCS - RX 147.210, TX 147.810, Offset +0.6 MHz, CTCSS/Tone PL100 Hz

Please note: Repeater: N6MNV UHF 442.700 Mhz, Offset +5MHz, CTCSS/Tone PL 173.8 Hz in South San Francisco is cross linked every Monday Night Net at 9 p.m. to WB6TCS 2 meter repeater.

The CARC Monday night net is the best way to find out the latest club news. All check-ins are welcome.

Message from the President: George Chong, W6BUR

Hello CARC Members and Friends;

Many thanks to Mr. Denis L. Moore – WB6TCS for the use of his repeater for our CARC Monday Night Net.

I wish to say: “**Happy New Year**” to all of our CARC members and friends.

Our 2019 CARC Chinese New Year Luncheon has been placed on hold until further notice with the closure of our hosting restaurant: Kome. The closure of Kome Restaurant began in January 14, 2019 and is expected to run for at least 3 months.

Annual 2018 CARC Christmas Party Introduction Summary

Many thanks to Ed Fong – WB6IQN for hosting another very successful blow out Christmas Party at his home on Saturday December 15, 2018. Your editor attended that party and saw first hand the great food and large crowd of people having a good time.

Ed Fong - WB6IQN has written a summary with pictures in this newsletter.

Additional Thoughts

I wish to thank our CARC members that set aside their valuable time to participate in our Monday night's nets.

Chat sub s'em to all you CARC members! - George W6BUR.

Public Service Announcements

HAM CRAM / HAM Licensing

For upcoming HAM Licensing locations please refer to:
<http://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-exam-session>

Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS)

The Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS) was organized by the San Francisco Office of Emergency Services (OES) following the 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake to support the communications needs of the City and County of San Francisco when responding to emergencies and special events.

The Auxiliary Communications Service holds General Meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the San Francisco Emergency Operations Center, 1011 Turk Street (between Gough Street and Laguna Street), from 1900 hours to 2100 hours local time. All interested persons are welcome to attend.

The ACS Net begins at 1930 hours (7:30 p.m.) local time each Thursday evening, on the WA6GG repeater at 442.050 MHz, positive offset, tone 127.3 Hz. The purpose of this net is to practice Net Control skills, practice checking in with deployment status in a formal net, and to share information regarding upcoming ACS events. Guests are

welcome to check in. ACS Members should perform Net Control duty on a regular basis. On the second Thursday of each month, the net will be conducted on the output frequency of the WA6GG repeater, 442.050 MHz no offset, tone 127.3 Hz, simplex.

For more information, please attend an ACS meeting or check in on a net, or call 415-558-2717.

Upcoming meetings: Tuesday 7pm, January 15, 2019
 Tuesday 7pm, February 19, 2019
 Tuesday 7pm, March 19, 2019

Gilbert Gin (KJ6HKD)

Free Disaster Preparedness Classes In Oakland:
<http://www.oaklandnet.com/fire/core/index2.html>

CORE is a free training program for individuals, neighborhood groups and community-based organizations in Oakland. The underlying premise is that a major disaster will overwhelm first responders, leaving many citizens on their own for the first 72 hours or longer after the emergency.

If you have questions about the recertification process, you may contact the CORE Coordinator at 510-238-6351 or core@oaklandnet.com.

Free Disaster Preparedness Classes In San Francisco – NERT Taught by San Francisco Fire Department (SFFD).

<http://sf-fire.org/calendar-special-events>

Upcoming events

January

- 13 2MCM Ham Radio practice (repeats monthly)
- 20 NERT Hosted Ham Cram - get your license in 1 day!
- 20 NERT Training Day - Third Saturday

Featured Trainings:

Search & Rescue

Ham Radio Basics for licensed operators

- 26 NEN Awards

Congratulations to NERT Advisory Board Member and Noe Valley Coordinator on receiving the NERT leadership award

February

7 NERT Quarterly
10 2MCM Ham Radio practice
17 NERT Training Day - Third Saturday
Featured Trainings:
Running a Command Post at the NERT Staging Area
NERT Communications Team (NCT) Introduction

March

10 2MCM Ham Radio practice
17 NERT Training Day - Third Saturday
Featured Trainings:
Staging Area Set Up
NERT Communications Team (NCT) continued training
26 Psychological First Aid (For NERT and MRC volunteers only)
RSVP to sffdnert@sfgov.org or call 415-970-2024 to register.

***SFFD DOT** is the Fire Department Division of Training. All participants walking, biking or driving **enter through the driveway gate on 19th St.** between Folsom and Shotwell. Parking is allowed along the back cinderblock wall.

Visit www.sfgov.org/sffdnert to learn more about the training, other locations, and register on line. Upcoming Special NERT Events.

San Francisco Police Department: Auxiliary Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT)

The Auxiliary Law Enforcement Response Team (ALERT) is a citizen disaster preparedness program designed. The ALERT program is for volunteers 16 years of age or older, who live, work, or attend high school in San Francisco.

Graduates of the San Francisco Police Activities League (P.A.L) Law Enforcement Cadet Academy are also eligible to join.

ALERT volunteers will first complete the Fire Department's Neighborhood Emergency Response Team (NERT) (www.sfgov.org/sfnert) training and then graduate into an 8 hour Police Department course specifically designed for ALERT team members.

ALERT members will work closely with full-time and/or Reserve Police Officers in the event they are deployed after a disaster. The Basic ALERT volunteer will have no law enforcement powers other than those available to all citizens.

SFPD ALERT Training

The next SFPD ALERT training class has been scheduled for January 26, 2019. The class will be held at the San Francisco Police Academy, in the parking lot bungalow, from 8am-5pm (one hour lunch break) on Saturday.

****** Class dates indicated in red are only for new members who have not completed either SFFD NERT training or the SFPD Community Police Academy.

IMPORTANT- All participants must complete the background interview process in order to be eligible to attend the ALERT training class.

Eligible ALERT participants may register for a training class by contacting the ALERT Program Coordinator, Mark Hernandez, at sfpdalert@sfgov.org, or by telephone at 415-401-4615.

SFPD ALERT Practice/Training Drill

All active/trained ALERT members are asked to join us for our next training drill, scheduled for an evening on 9:00 am – 1:00pm Saturday February 9, 2019. Details will be emailed to active ALERT members, prior to the date of the exercise. Participation is not required, but strongly encouraged.

For more information on the San Francisco Police Department ALERT Program, email us at sfpdalert@sfgov.org, or call Sergeant Mark Hernandez (SFPD, Ret.), SFPD ALERT Program Coordinator, at (415) 401-4615.

For additional information on the web please refer to:

<http://sf-police.org/index.aspx?page=4019>

Annual CARC 2018 Christmas Party Recap

By Edison Fong

I want to thanks all of the people that came to my CARC Christmas Party this December 15, 2018 at my home. Not sure how many came, but my best guess would be about 40-50 people. See the pictures contained in this newsletter.

What makes this a great annual Christmas gathering are the good people that come. We meet every year and have seen all our young kids grow into adulthood. Virtually all are now in college and moving on with their careers. However, our family friendships continue.

I look forward to this Christmas event every year to catch up with my peers and to learn about the current electronic industry along with the latest and greatest in technology to come. My graduate students come to the Christmas party to make contacts and begin their professional networking - which I strongly encourage.

It's the generosity of the folks at the Christmas party that make this event a huge success. From the enclosed pictures, just look at the quality and quantity of the pot luck food: Chinese, Italian, Middle Eastern, homemade mac and cheese, exotic chicken dishes, salads, you name it. Even Peking Duck was brought to share among the party guest. Now how often do we get treats like this?

The dessert bar is just an experience by itself: several different kinds of pies, cakes, homemade cheese cake, Middle Eastern Baklava, homemade brownies, exotic homemade cookies, and all kinds of beverages (wines, beer, and soda).

We had tons of delicious left overs that I encouraged folks to take home with them and they happily obliged.

Congratulations to all the winners of the raffle. At the Christmas party every attendee received one free raffle ticket. Because not all the party goers are hams, the first prize winner got a choice of an HDTV, Windows 10 Laptop, or a Radioddity QB25 quad band mobile. Congratulations to our grand prize winner: Patti Winters.

The list of winners of the raffle prizes went to the following people:

- Patti Winters N5BIS- Grand prize Radioditty QB25 - 25 watt Quad Band mobile
- Fred Schlinder - County Comm GP5/SSB – Fred is an avid SW listener – generously donated by County Comm
- Marc Roddin KI6HLH- Baofeng UV5R Plus - dual band hand held
- Dave Vieira KI6CLA - \$15 gift certificate to Star Bucks donate by Ben Deveolet.
- Victor Black AB6SO - 32 pieces tool set
- Krisdan Kasasares - ProLux supper flashlight
- Eugene Savastyuk - Digital Multimeter
- Betsy Watswana – LED flashlight lantern – donated by County Comm



Left to Right: Ed Fong-WB6IQN presenting the grand raffle prize: Radioddity Quad Band transceiver to Patty Winters-N6BIS



Left to right: Marc Roddin KI6HLH and xyl



Left to right: Party goers – George and June Martin WA6UUJ – Ben Deovlet W6FDU



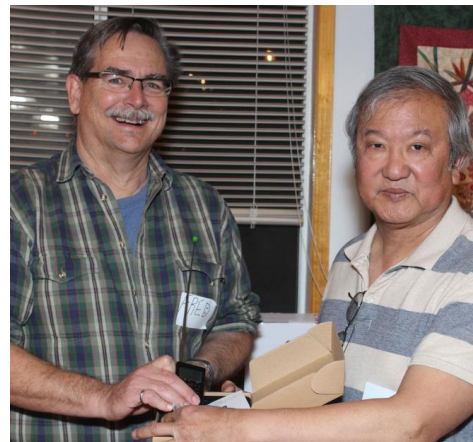
Left to right: Dave Vieira KI6CLA won the \$15 gift certificate to Starbucks. Donated by Ben Deovlet. On the far right is Ed Fong.



Left to right: Ed Fong and Victor – AB6SO who won the 32 pieces tool set.



Left to right Marc Roddin KI6HLH wins the Baofeng UV5R plus which is the upgrade of the UV5R but with dual watch. On far right is Ed Fong.



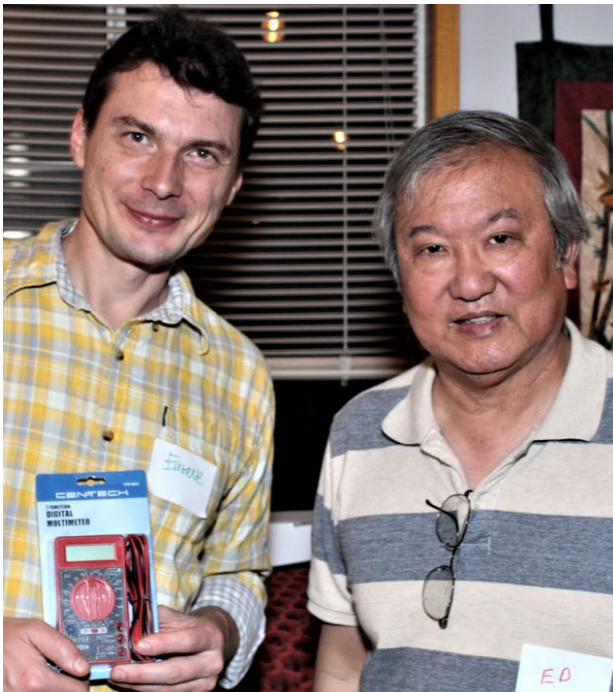
Left to right: Fred Schlinder wins the County Comm GP5 software defined radio – donated by County Comm of Santa Clara. On far right is Ed Fong presenting the prize.



Left to right Krisdan Kasasares wins the supper dupper LED flashlight. We are talking 800 luxes here.



Left to right: Ed Fong, Betsy Watswana wins the cool County Comm mulit- use lantern donated by County Comm.



Left to right: Eugene Savastyuk (just passed his general and waiting for his call sign) wins the DVM donated by Harbor Freight. One of Ed's graduated students at UC Santa Cruz. Far right: Ed Fong.



Ben Deovlet W6FDU, The Piano Man. Not only is Ben a retired EE from UC Berkeley but also an accomplished concert pianist.



Debbie and Mike Langberg – do you folks remember Mike? He was the columnist for the SJ Mercury News on technology. I use to always love to reads his insights on technology while he was writing his column.



Daniel Tran - RF and video circuit engineer (over 30 years) that has been around and knows a lot.



Left to right: Rana and Jim Walker
KB6NRD



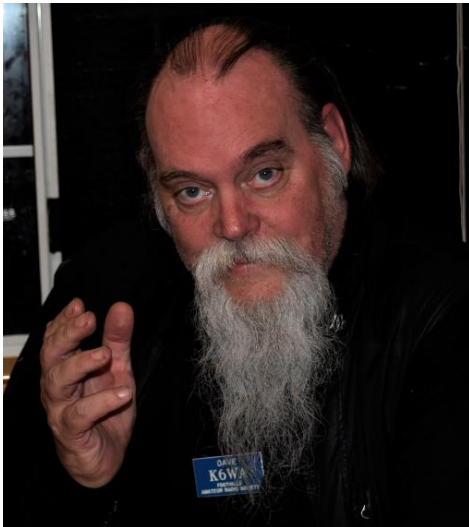
Left to right: Hao and Karon Huang – my (Ed Fong) recent graduate student and his lovely wife.



Left to right: Amanda KM6 and Thomas Leibold KK6FPP



Jim Fahy N6WKY



Dave Cooper - K6WA



Left to right: Eugene, Albert Lui, and Adrian Motamedi – K3ADM



Left to right Steve Stearns K6OIK and xyl.



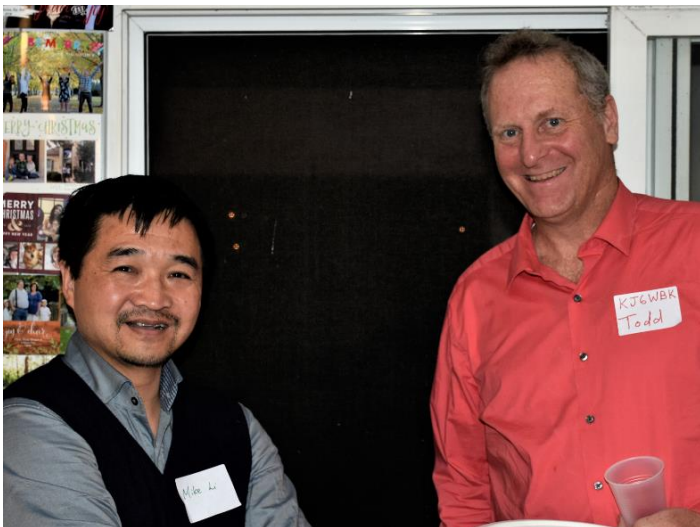
Left to right: Alan, Linda Kamas and Ed Fong



Left to right: Kai Li and daughter



Carol Eyring KI6PUX



Left to right: Mike Lui (graduate student) and Todd Eyring KJ6WBK



Sharadon Fong (Party Host) and xyl of Ed Fong



Foreground left to right: Steve K6OIK and Linda Kamas



Left to right: xyl and Marc



Left to right facing: Jeff Hutchins (WB6BVD) and Alexandria Hutchins.



Ralph having a good time at the party - SF best (retired SFPD) KD6YDH



Left to right: Wolfgang and Thomas Leibold - KK6FPP. Thomas bought his famous chicken dish to the party and it instantly was consumed at the party.



Enjoying the large spread of food



And even more food that was a feast



Desserts and Drinks that people brought to the Christmas Party



Left to right: Alan Kamas (CAL DSP expert), Linda Kamas (CAL EE Ph.DL.), Jeff Hutchins (Stanford EE), Alex Hutchins, and Kathrine Hutchins