

From the President's Desk

John's Memo

Well happy belated "New Year" to all our members. Today is the first day of the year (1/1/11) and thoughts come to mind of what needs done for the year. Yes, I am a planner because most of "life's failures" is related to not having a plan to guide us along the way. Things often don't go as planned, but they do steer us in the right direction and sometimes they do work out to be acceptable.

As we were traveling to our ham club meeting, we were discussing our upcoming elections for the New Year. A certain thought came to mind, if we were to continue to exist as a ham club, we need to go further than looking forward to having a cup of coffee and a doughnut as our main event during our normal meetings. We all know that things in the past have been pretty much routine. Mike and Jim have been doing a good job in keeping the club going through the past years. As the new president of the club, I feel that we have come to a fork in the road of continuing as it's been going and fearing that someday the club might fold, or introduce new things and events to stir up our interests and motivated more people to participate in our club activities. People that know me have found out that I am a person that isn't afraid to venture down the road of introducing new things. But where do our club member's stand?

This position as your new president is a new challenge to me. Not sure of many things and responsibilities that I have. But I am willing to embrace the task and learn to master it. It will be a new and growing experience for me. I always want to learn and do things so that I can handle them as needed. I understand that not everyone has an attitude as I have to accept the challenge of where one hasn't been. That's okay because we are all different. But we should not inhibit those that want to go on to another adventure in their life and hobby. I want to be a leader, an organizer, a motivator, and a participator with those that want to go further. Can we do that together? Let those who prefer to be observers, be as such and those that want to excel, allow them to explore, learn, and grow in areas that they have interest in. Let's turn things towards being a club that is exciting to be a member of and draws others to join us. Enjoying our events together and having more fun than we ever did. Expanding our knowledge and helping new comers in our hobby to get started. We can make our club a better place than it ever has been so that our members and visitors will be excited to come and enjoy.

Thus it is not of what I can do but it is a matter of "what we can do together" as a group to bring things to a new adventure. Are you ready? Got ideas? Let's hear from our members so that we can set our goals, and plan to adventure in our new direction.

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