Garden State Amateur Radio Association

Minutes of meeting of January 2, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Art Olson N2AJO at 7:30 PM in the meeting room of the Tinton Falls Red Cross.

After the salute to the flag members were invited to introduce themselves.

Present were 31 individuals, 27 members, 2 guests, and 2 hams with applications.

There were no notices under health and welfare.

The two guests were George Wilner K2ONP, friend of Paul AD7I, and Shannon Brunner KD2OJI, daughter of Steve Brunner N2FSB.

Two new members approved were Marlo Montanaro KA2IRQ and Fritz Kirchhof W2CET on motions by Art W2NAZ and seconds Mike W2MJP.

The program by John KA2F began with a bit of humor, a slide showing KA2F surrounded by a bevy of Florida YLs. Next John commented on a slide showing a scene from 1951, about a year after the founding of GSARA in May 1950, showing the radio room at Monmouth County Red Cross on Rte. 35 in Shrewsbury operated by W2GSA and members Phil Peterson, Lloyd Manamon, and Marv Bernstein.

King showed slides of the Morro Castle illustrating various aspects of the disaster of the ship off the shore and giving comments to explain the nature and causes of the disaster, especially concentrating on the suspicions centered on Chief Radio Officer George Rogers, who promoted himself as the Radio Hero of the Burning Ship.

At the conclusion of the program, tickets for the 50/50 were drawn and the meeting was adjourned at about 9 PM.

Submitted January 3, 2019

John King KA2F, GSARA SECRETARY.