

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

And now...  
On to a well deserved spring!



### View from the Terry-KC8OEX shack...

Our long time member and NCS, Terry, has had some health problems to contend with. No matter what happens, he is on air welcoming friends to the Chew for almost two decades. Terry moved a few times and now is ensconced in a nice QTH and below is a nice shot of his well set up radio shack.



Many moons ago during holidays the Chew used to issue special certificates which he proudly displays on his walls.

# The "Chew"

## SEVENTY-TWO



"Where Choosy People

Choose to CHEW!"

NEWSLETTER March 2026

Though Terry faces health difficulties, he installed a wire dipole and ladder-line feed line. This, along with other antennas, makes his presence known on the band. Stop by on the Chew when he is NCS, and wave a hand and enjoy a great conversation



And, while we are at it...

Steve-N9TFO sends us a photo of his well equipped radio shack. Test equipment along with a "QRM" eliminator and a vintage 811 amp rounds out his station quite nicely!



### Two More Things Too...

Mark your Calendar:

#### K1R

Our special event K1R will be held the week of May 3 through May 9, 2026 We will once again be offering a highly collectable QSL card celebrating our 22nd-Copper anniversary. A preview card will be posted in the April Chew Newsletter and our web site. If anyone has suggestions for us to do during this celebration, please notify Loby-WA2AXZ

#### DAYTON 2026:

I, along with a handful of good friends from the Chew and other nets, will be once again at our old stompi'n grounds at Dayton Hamvention. Our Thursday evening dinner at Rob's Restaurant in Brookville will be a great start of our radio-active weekend. Hamvention tickets are now available for pre-sale so save a few \$heckles. Get on the web site at: <https://hamvention.org> and order you tickets today.

## I table the motion...

Chad-KB1HPV has, once again, been busy in his shop repairing and refinishing furniture for people in his neighborhood. The table shown is called a gate leg table with legs on hinges that fold out to support the two fold up leafs of the table. It is all black walnut except the legs which appear to be maple. It was sanded down with 220 grit. The finish is Minwax satin poly, tinted slightly with a custom mixed stain to help the legs match over all with table. The bottom has 3 coats and the top has 5. The last three were sanded between coats with 500 grit paper. I hope the Amish builder of this piece so many years ago, would approve of what I did.



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## Easter is coming...

Sink your teeth into the Guinness book of records Worlds largest Chocolate Train! The train, modeled in Italy, is 181 feet long,



weighing in at almost 400 pounds of tasty Belgian chocolate. This Great Western Railway engine with trailing cars are beautifully sculpted with gold leaf accents. By the way, the rails and ties are chocolate too MMMMM!

## Last word on winter, 2025-26

Last month we showed what many were dealing with during this brutal winter. From below zero freezing cold temperatures, to monster snowstorms, most everyone from Maine to Florida experienced some wicked weather. Jerry-KC2UT sent in an article for our February Chew, when his area only had 75" of the stuff to contend with. The latest tally is a whopper and as this screen shot was made on Valentines day, I guess a few more inches have been added.



OK, It's getting old. and now that the green grass of spring is returning, The last photo of winter is below. Ahhhhh Sunshine!



## A note from your editor ...

Our monthly newsletter "THE CHEW", contains information about the activities and participants in the 7.272 Ragchew Net. We rely on contributions of stories and pictures from the members to keep all of us up to date, impart information we can all use and, of course, to raise a smile and a chuckle or two. If you find a new "Taz" photo that can be used for future certificates and QSLs, that too is greatly appreciated. Without you, there is no Chew!

Please, e-mail your stories, tech info and photos to Loby at [wa2axz@arrl.net](mailto:wa2axz@arrl.net)

Many Thanks!

## Volunteers Wanted!



If you would like to be one of our Net Control Stations on a regular schedule or as an occasional fill-in, please contact our net scheduler, Loby-WA2AXZ.

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