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Riverbend Area for 33 years.
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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to request your support for the **Lewis and Clark Radio Club's 2017 Hamfest**. We are truly thankful to the companies that made last year's event a success! We hope that you would be willing to contribute some goods or services for door prizes at this year's event. This year's Hamfest will take place on Saturday, April 22, 2017 at the Riverbend Arena on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey, Illinois.

Amateur (Ham) Radio is a hobby that is made up of individuals who are involved in many aspects of the community. Our Hamfest (consisting of a Flea Market, Demonstrations and Training Seminars) is our only fund raising activity, and the proceeds of this event help to maintain our communication equipment and pay for the insurance that is needed to run the organization. Without this event, we would likely not be able to provide communication support to the community in events such as the Alton Halloween Parade, The River Road Run, The Marquette Run, Bucket Brigade, or many of the other community services that are provided by our club. We also serve as a form of communication to the National Weather Service in times of inclement weather, by means of our SKYWARN nets. We also provide emergency communications services in case of disasters working with Madison County Emergency Management, local hospitals and other organizations when requested. This year we are celebrating our 33rd year of service to the Riverbend Area.

As you may or may not know, door prizes are a major draw for this type of event. While people come to shop for goods from vendors or just come to see what is for sale, many of them are also attending in hopes to receive some sort of door prize. It makes it much easier to attract people to these events, both in the current and in subsequent years, if we have a wide selection of door prizes.

I know that these are tough economic times, and it is difficult to spend money to give away products or services. Please consider though, that any contribution you can provide helps fund an organization that supports the community at various events and in times of severe weather and disasters. We would be grateful for any donation you can provide to help make this year's Hamfest a success.

You may contact me at the above address or phone number or any member of the club to make the donation.

Thank you for your time and contribution.

Sincerely,
Jacques Dupont - KN9O
President