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Perspectives

Dear QEX Readers,

I am pleased to introduce myself as the new editor of *QEX* — *A Forum for Communications Experimenters*. I come to this role with a deep appreciation for the spirit of innovation, experimentation, and technical curiosity that defines our community.

My journey into the world of electronics and radio began when I bought a copy of the



1970 ARRL *Handbook*. That single volume opened the door to a lifetime of curiosity, learning, and firsthand experimentation. I am active in my local ARES group and county Emergency Management Agency. I also enjoy DX, satellite work, and building and repairing equipment. I have served as a Technical Specialist for the Ohio Section since 2022.

I am a Senior Certified Electronics Technician and hold a General Radiotelephone Operator License (GROL). I have worked in the electrical and electronics fields specializing in troubleshooting and the repair and calibration of electronic systems. My experience includes commercial and government R & D environments, industrial controls, and military projects.

QEX has long been a platform for the ideas and contributions of some of the most enthusiastic and inventive minds in amateur radio. I am committed to supporting that legacy. By seeking new opportunities to expand our reach — while highlighting emerging technologies — we hope to invite fresh voices into the conversation.

Whether you're developing innovative DSP techniques, building novel antenna systems, or exploring the boundaries of RF experimentation, this magazine exists to support and highlight your work. I invite you to share your projects, questions, and insights. My goal is to make *QEX* not only a source of technical knowledge, but also a catalyst for collaboration and community.

It is a privilege to be here, and I look forward to continuing the legacy of *QEX*. 73,

Ron Diehl, NQ8W QEX Editor

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