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President's Microphone...

As we enter the winter season, we also need to consider nominations for officer positions for the coming year, and hold the requisite elections to those positions in November. The yearly Christmas party (in lieu of regular club meeting in December) is also a subject for finalizing in the near future. Thanks to everyone who has assisted in renovation of the "MOE" van to this point. Hope to see everyone at the next meeting.

73 Dean - k2jb

ARES The Buncombe County ARES group is scheduled to meet on November 13th. Some members of the group attended the state ARES meeting in Morganton on October 18th (40+ attended from WNC and as far away as Raleigh). The meeting was informative, and should provide some direction for Buncombe County ARES members.

K8SKX

Upcoming Events

November 1st - Beach to Battleship Triathlon, Wilmington.

November 1: Diabetes Walk, Charlotte.

November 2nd: City of Oaks Raleigh Marathon.

November 16: JARSFEST, Benson.

NC ARRL

Shut-In Ridge Trail Run

WCARS will provide communications for this the 30th Annual event. Details:

Nov 1, 1400Z-2200Z, Asheville, NC, W4MOE. A 17.8-mile trail race. 14.285 7.280 146.910

WCARS Smoke Test November 2008

October 2nd Minutes...Steve - N4SET

Meeting called to order at 7:31pm.

Pledge to the flag recited.

KI4VIR David - Presented Treasurers report, \$4416.12 in checking, \$3954.62 in savings. Introduction of members and guests made.

K2JB Dean - Officer nominations/elections in November; K2JB would remain, VP would relinquish, SEC would relinquish, TR would relinquish, QM EXC AWC and PIO should be considered. Blue Ridge Bonanza activity report; participants KN4ST, W4SKI, KI4VLW, WD4NC, KU2U N4SET. Van needs certain repairs, maintenance and parts replacement to van/ham equipment. Shut-In Ridge Trail Run 11-1 needs workers for VHF & HF special events stations. JOTA is Oct 18-19.

KC6YHM Mike - Presented the evening program - Grid Squares; When/Why/How to calculate.

KN4ST Elwood - Reported on van condition and need to refurbish; volunteers to maintain van. Motion to relocate van to residence of KN4ST for work made, seconded and carried.

50/50 won by KI4GGD - James.

Door prize won by KI4WCA - Michael.

N4NH Norm - Guy Tracy tested and passed Technicians exam for new license.

Motion to adjourn made, seconded and carried at 8:44 pm.

146.520. QSL. W4MOE Shut-In Race, PO Box 1488, Asheville, NC 28802.

w4moe@bellsouth.net

VE Exams

Nov 1

Sponsor: ARRL Alexander County ARS Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: Floyd Cliff Fox (828) 635-0260 Email: KU4GW@28384.org Location: Alexander County Rescue Squad Bldg 197 Emergency St Call after 5 PM! Taylorsville, NC 28681

Nov 1 and 7, Dec 5 and 6

Sponsor: ARRL University of TN ARC Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: Bobbie E. Williams (865) 983-0055 Email: BOBBIE@usit.net Location: Walkins allowed until start of testing session 1128 E Weisgarber Rd Call to confirm! Cell: 865-254-3067 Knoxville, TN 37909

Nov 8

Sponsor: WCARS Hendersonville, North Carolina - 146.64 & 442.450 Mountain Home Fire Department, Hwy 25 9:00 AM Sid Hendricks, W4IOE 144 Duncan Creek Rd Fletcher, NC 28732 828-684-8130 Michael Parente, AI4GR PO Box 2577 Hendersonville, NC 28793 828-891-8970

Nov 8 and 13

Sponsor: ARRL KG4LVO Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: Edwin A. Flowers (828) 321-2136 Email: KG4LVO@yahoo.com Location: Andrews Pubic Library Conference Rm 871 Main St Business US 19 at Walnut St Testing Fee \$14 Andrews, NC 28901

Nov 8 and Dec 13

Sponsor: ARRL Scenic City ARS Time: 4:00PM (No walk-ins) Contact: Daniel L. Clark (423) 667-4648 Email: SCARS@bellsouth.net Location: Red Bank Presbyterian/Chinese Church 4320 Dayton Blvd Walk-ins welcome if test is on - If no calls 48 prior, no test. Red Bank, TN 37415

Nov 15

Sponsor: ARRL Gaston County ARS Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: Cyrus B. Rowe (704) 864-4388 Location: Masonic Lodge 212 S College St Dallas, NC 28034

Nov 15, 20 Dec

Sponsor: WCARS Time: 8:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: Stephen C. Shaffer (864) 862-3549 Email: AF4RN@bellsouth.net Location: Red Cross Building 940 Grove Rd

Arrive 8:15 AM for paperwork Greenville, SC 29605

Nov 16

Sponsor: WCARS Asheville, North Carolina - 146.91 & 146.76 & 224.60 2:00 PM, Room 134, Elm Building - AB Tech Walk-ins only Steve Lanford, AG4BY 101 King St. Weaverville, NC 28787 828-645-3511 Alternate Michael Robinson, AD4XZ 99 High Point Rd. Weaverville, NC 28787 828-626-3270

Nov 16

Sponsor: ARRL Roanoke Valley ARC Time: 2:00PM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: Ray V. Pillow (540) 380-2116 Email: KK4HR@arrl.net Location: American Red Cross 352 Church Ave SW Pre-Registration preferred! (8-5 M-F) 540-375-2107 Roanoke, VA 24016

Nov 22 and Dec 27

Sponsor: ARRL Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: Richard M. Sawaya (865) 429-2422 Email: N4JTQRMS@gmail.com Location: Sevier County Rescue Squad Building 1165 Dolly Parton Pkwy Hwy 411 Sevierville, TN 37862

Nov 22

Sponsor: ARRL Mecklenburg Amateur Radio Society Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) Contact: Mary S. Hunt (704) 948-7373 Email: N4MH@w4bfb.org Location: East Baptist Church 6850 East Monroe Rd Next to East Mecklenburg HS Charlotte, NC 28212

Contact VE for Exam Dates:

Burnsville, NC - 147.375 Yancey County Public Library - Town Square Burnsville David McCarty, W4TDM 391 E. Main Street Burnsville, NC 28714 828-675-9044 Barry McKinney Rt 2 Box 1122 Burnsville, NC 28714 828-682-9270

Columbus, NC Wayne Ackerman, W3GYK 621 Laurel Lake Drive, Unit B-104 Columbus, N C 28722-7436 828-894-5542 Rutherford County, North Carolina - 147.24 Isothermal College, **Spindale, NC** F. Bruce Tessinear, KD4OJ P. O. Box 341 Henrietta, NC 28076 828-657-5464 A. B. Brackett, AB4E 117 Toney Rd Bostic, NC 28018 828-245-6334

Greenville, SC - 146.61 8:30 AM Red Cross Building - 940 Grove Road Sue L. Chism, N4ENX 139 Mustang Circle Simpsonville, SC 29681-5753 864-967-0001

Special Events

Nov 1-Mar 1, 0000Z-0000Z, Reading, PA. The Great Outdoors Radio Club, WA3WSJ. The GORC Iditarod 2009 Challenge. 80 40 20 15 10 m CW/SSB/PSK. QSL. GIC-2009, 775

Moonflower Ave, Reading, PA 19606-3447.
www.wa3wsj.org/GORC_Iditraod2009.html

Nov 8, 1200Z-1900Z, Azle, TX. Tri-County Amateur Radio Club of North Texas, WC5C. NCTECH Honoring USA Veterans. 147.160 14.270 7.270 3.870. QSL. Tri-County ARC North Texas WC5C, 820 Wood Ln, Azle, TX 76020. kb5ylg@yahoo.com

Nov 8, 1500Z-2000Z, Detroit, MI. Livonia Amateur Radio Club, W8F. To commemorate the loss of the Edmund Fitzgerald. 28.400 28.200 7.250 7.125 CW SSB 10 15 20 40 80 m as conditions permit. Certificate. LARC Special Event, PO Box 51532, Livonia, MI 48151-5532. www.livoniaarc.com

Nov 9, 1700Z-2100Z, Butler, PA. Butler County Amateur Radio Association, W3UDX. Veterans' Day from Butler, PA, Veterans Hospital. SSB gen bands 40 20 m. QSL. BCARA W3UDX, Box 1787, Butler, PA 16003-1787.
www.w3udx.org

Nov 9-Nov 10, 0459Z-0459Z, Grand Rapids, MI. Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance, W8USA. Veterans Day. 14.250 14.040 7.250 7.040. Certificate. MARA Attn: Larry Dells, PO Box 670, Comstock Park, MI 49321-0670. Times are daily. \$2 for certificate--do not send

envelope. www.w8usa.org

Nov 9-Nov 11, 1600Z-2000Z, Arlington Heights, IL. Armored Force Amateur Radio Net, KA9NLX. Veterans Day, in honor of all military veterans. 14.325 7.283 7.030 3.985. Certificate. John Paskevicz, 1423 North Ridge Ave, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. AFAR members will also work 2 meters simplex and open repeaters in their home towns.

john.paskevicz@us.army.mil

Nov 9-Nov 15, 0000Z-2359Z, Isabela, PR. Veterans Amateur Radio Group of Puerto Rico, WP4NYD. Veteran's Day Salute. 18.130 14.285 7.183 3.890. QSL. Carlos R. Rodriguez, KP3S, Rt 5 Box 71A, Isabela, PR 00662-4509.

kp3s@arrl.net

Nov 11, 1500Z-2245Z, Baton Rouge, LA. Baton Rouge and USS Kidd Amateur Radio Clubs, W5KID. Veterans Day. 15 20 40 m Gen bands. QSL. USS Kidd Special Event, 305 S River Rd, Baton Rouge, LA 70802.

www.lsu.edu/brarc/uss_kidd.htm

Nov 11-Nov 12, 1100Z-0400Z, Charles Town, WV. Eastern Panhandle Amateur Radio Club, WW1FWB. WW-I 90th armistice anniversary at home of last surviving US vet. 14.290 7.190. Certificate. Mark Kraham, WW1FWB, 3370 Charles Town Rd, Kearneysville, WV 25430.

www.k8ep.net/ww1fwb

GORC Iditarod Challenge

Registration for the GIC 2009 is closed and it looks like we have twenty-nine GIC 2009 Mushers for the November 1st start. Seven are strictly qrp while the rest are running 25w to 100w. Mushers come from USA, Alaska, Ireland, England, France, Bulgaria and Greenland. It should be a fun mush around the globe!

If you hear a GIC Musher on the air, please give him or her a call. Yes, we have one Alaskan operator who is a female musher! To all non-mushers, please remember that a GIC Musher may only contact hams in the

country he or she is at on the course. So if a musher is calling Canada only, all others don't count as points, but he or she may contact anyone for qsl purposes etc.

Here's the GIC 2009 Course:

USA, Canada, Alaska, Russia, Finland, Sweden, Norway, Iceland and Greenland

For additional information about this unique event click on the link below.

http://www.wa3wsj.org/GORC_Iditraod2009.html
72/73, Ed, WA3WSJ, GORC #001

Edward R. Breneiser, breneiser@dejazzd.com

Oct 24, 2008

From N4KOX - Russ

ARRL Files Petition with FCC against Experimental License Using 40 Meter Band
On Monday, October 20, the ARRL filed a Petition for Modification or Cancellation of Experimental Authorization (Petition) with the FCC with respect to WE2XRH. According to the FCC, this experimental license, issued to Digital Aurora Radio Technologies (DART), proposes to "test digital transmissions in 4.50-5.10 MHz, 7.10-7.60 MHz and 9.25-9.95 MHz for a terrestrial digital radio service to the citizens of Alaska."

The League's Petition states that DART's hopes that this experimentation "will lead to a terrestrial, high-frequency (HF) digital aural (domestic broadcast) service in Alaska. Ostensibly to study the operation of this 'shortwave' system at high latitudes, and apparently in order to roll out this domestic broadcast service, DART specifies

exceptionally high power operation in various segments of the HF spectrum. ARRL's interest in this matter is limited to the fact that the experimental license includes the band 7.1 - 7.3 MHz, allocated domestically exclusively to the Amateur Radio Service."

From ARRL

On October 24, the FCC responded by issuing an amended license that redefined one of the station's frequency ranges to eliminate conflict with the Amateur Radio Service. The amended license narrows the range to 7.30 to 7.60 MHz and gives as the reason for the change, "operation in the band 7.1-7.3 MHz will cause harmful interference to Amateur Radio Service licensees."

From ARRL



ARRL Continuing Education Online Course Registration (Oct 15, 2008) --

Registration remains open through Sunday, November 9, 2008, for these online course sessions beginning on Friday, November 21, 2008: Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Level 2 (EC-002); Antenna Modeling (EC-004); HF Digital Communications (EC-005); VHF/UHF -- Life Beyond the Repeater (EC-008), and Radio Frequency Propagation (EC-011). Each online course has been developed in segments -- learning units with objectives, informative text, student activities and quizzes. Courses are interactive, and some include direct communications with a Mentor/Instructor. Students register for a particular session that

may be 8, 12 or 16 weeks (depending on the course) and they may access the course at any time of day during the course period, completing lessons and activities at times convenient for their personal schedule. Mentors assist students by answering questions, reviewing assignments and activities, as well as providing helpful feedback. Interaction with mentors is conducted through e-mail; there is no appointed time the student must be present -- allowing complete flexibility for the student to work when and where it is convenient. To learn more, visit the Continuing Education course-listing page or contact the Continuing Education Program Coordinator.

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Hamfest Calendar

Nov 15 CANCELLED

BeachFest 2008, Grand Strand Amateur Radio Club, <http://www.w4gs.org/beachfest/>
Contact: Jim Roble, N4GSA PO Box 2135, Myrtle Beach, SC 29578 Phone: 843-903-5025, Email: n4gsa@w4gs.org

16 Nov

2008 JARSFEST, Johnston Amateur Radio Society, American Legion Complex, 601 North Wall Street Benson, NC <http://www.jars.net>
Talk-In: 147.270 +600 (no tone) Contact: Bill Lambert, AK4H, 8917 NC 50 N, Benson, NC 27504, Phone: 919-894-3352, Fax: 919-894-3219 Email: blambert1@mindspring.com

Silent Key



With deep regret WCARS records the loss of fellow amateur Harry Aloysius Leeder, Jr., of Asheville, who died Wednesday, October 15, 2008, at the VA Medical Center.

A native of New York City, he was a son of the late Harry A. Leeder, Sr. and Theresa Black Leeder. A World War II veteran of the Army Air Force, he served with the 20th Combat Mapping Squadron, 6th Photo Group, 5th Air Force and attended many of their reunions. He was a ham radio operator, call sign **N2HL**, a member of the American Radio Relay League and a member of VFW Post #891. Mr. Leeder is survived by a daughter, Abigail Leeder Kennedy, of Brockport, N.Y.; two sons, Gregory Leeder, of Fort Wayne, Ind. and Christopher Leeder, of Albany, N.Y. Memorials may be made to The Southern Appalachian Radio Museum, c/o A-B Technical Community College, Elm Building, Room 315, 340 Victoria Road, Asheville, NC 28801. From CITIZEN-TIMES.com



E-mails Asking for Personal Information Are Not from ARRL (Oct 17, 2008) -- We have received several reports from ARRL members

with arrl.net e-mail accounts who have recently been contacted via e-mail asking for personal information, such as user names and passwords. Please be assured that these e-mails are fraudulent attempts at "phishing" and did not originate from ARRL. According to ARRL Information Technology Manager Don Durand, "This is a very crude attempt at phishing, using an easily determined spoof of the originating/return address. There is never a time when we would ask via mass e-mail for user names and passwords of arrl.net users. There is simply no need to ever do so." If you receive an e-mail asking for personal information and it looks like it originated from ARRL, please do not respond, just delete it. ARRL

ARRL November CW Sweepstakes



This year marks the 75th running of the premier domestic contest, the ARRL CW Sweepstakes.

According to ARRL Contest Branch Manager Sean Kutzko, KX9X, the event

started back in 1929 as a competition for handling formal traffic messages and is one of the oldest traditions in Amateur Radio. "The contest exchange contains more elements than usual, an homage to the traffic-handling days of yore," he said. "If you have never participated in Sweepstakes, you are really missing out on some serious fun! A complete primer by ARRL Contributing Editor H. Ward Silver, NOAX, on [how to participate in Sweepstakes](#) can be found in the [Radiosport supplement in the October 2008 issue of QST.](#)"

The major challenge in Sweepstakes is to work all 80 ARRL/RAC Sections; this is known as a "Clean Sweep." "This year, we will be awarding a Clean Sweep whisk broom to all stations that make a Clean Sweep," Kutzko said. "Brooms were last available in 1983, the 50th running of Sweepstakes. In addition to the free brooms, Clean Sweep coffee mugs will also be available for purchase. This year's mug will be fine etched glass and will truly be a collector's item."

Whether you want to go for a Top 10 finish, or simply get on the air to hand out a few QSOs or work on your Worked All States Award (WAS), Kutzko said the November CW Sweepstakes is guaranteed fun and excitement.

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November Meeting - The next WCARS meeting will be November 6, 2008, 7:30 p.m. in the Simpson Auditorium, Simpson Bldg, at AB Tech. Program: To be announced.

Blue Ridge Bonanza



On September 26th, amid the clouds and winds around Mt. Pisgah, KN4ST - Elwood, W4SKI - Paul, and KI4VLW - Randy worked diligently to set up for the Blue Ridge Bonanza, held on September 27th and 28th.

The Roanoke Valley Amateur Club (W4CA) and the Forsythe Amateur Radio Club (W4NC) sponsored the event. Twelve other stations operated on the

Blue Ridge Parkway (BRP) from milepost 0 through the last outpost at mile marker 406.8 near the Pisgah Inn, where WCARS members operated the special event station.



The object was to work as many stations as possible during the weekend. QSL cards and special certificates were available to those stations confirming contact with

these special event stations.

While KN4ST was busy maintaining, servicing, repairing, inventorying, and making written notes and records to renew the "MOE" van, some real operators were at work on the frequencies (on or near 7.290 and 14.285).



KU2U - John provided some station time on Saturday, logging several contacts along the way. When not making contacts, John talked with curious passersby about the equipment, amateur radio, and anything else that became the topic of discussion.



Curious onlookers were the rule during

the entire period of operations, and all the amateurs present were happy to engage in conversation to further everyone's interest in ham radio.



A real natural on special event operations, KI4VLW - Randy made numerous contacts during both days of the event. His skills, and those of KN4ST, allowed them

to erect a 32ft GAP Challenger vertical antenna in driving rain and wind, no small feat under good conditions. And this antenna performed admirably for the event.



WD4CNZ - Bob came up on Sunday morning and operated for a while on 40m, making several contacts in the mornings operations. Band conditions were ever changing for the

event.



N4SET - Steve, eager to work his first special event, attempted contacts on 20m, with limited success. Although never confirmed,

everyone's difficulty with this HF radio in the van indicated the radio might need examination. But on Sunday morning, N4SET did establish a 20m contact with a Southern Utah station using a QRP (5watt) rig from KN4ST's personal equipment inventory.



Although not a valid special event contact, on Saturday evening, operating from the campground, on 2.5 watts, after contacting the Texas

QSO party from the Mt. Pisgah campground, W4SKI- Paul was "grinning from ear to ear". The event coordinator, AB4YZ, Ray Crampton, from Troutville, Virginia, visited the WCARS bunch on Sunday afternoon after stopping at each of the 13 stations along the BRP.

Photos courtesy of KN4ST
N4SET

Ham Gear Stolen from ETSU

It is very disturbing to report that several equipment items are missing from the ham radio shack (Room 225) in Wilson-Wallis Hall at ETSU.

Here are the items:

Kenwood TS-680S Transceiver (SN: 9120681) including the companion 12-volt power supply, **Kenwood TM-261A** 2-meter Transceiver (SN: 70400378), **Alinco DR-570T** Dual Band 144 and 440 MHz. Transceiver (SN:0001978) with a missing rubber grip on a lower left hand knob (sub-band or squelch).

To add insult to injury, ALL of the manuals for the above equipment are missing as well.

Someone definitely knew what he was taking! Jonathan Danials, K4ETC, University Amateur Radio Club Secretary/Treasurer has reported that the door to the room was found unlocked sometime yesterday (October 9th) and this morning (October 10th). It is believed that the equipment was taken sometime after the University Amateur Radio Club meeting Tuesday afternoon (October 7th).

Please be on the lookout at hamfests and on online sites such as eBay, QRZ.com etc. Please also spread the word via local ham radio club e-mail listings and web sites. If you see anything suspicious, please contact Bob May, K4SE at mayr@etsu.edu or k4se@arrl.net.

Thanks and 73,
Bob May (K4SE)
UARC/W4BUC Faculty Adv

PRB-1 Law on Books

Pennsylvania becomes the 27th State with a law that guarantees radio amateurs the right to erect antenna support structures up to 65 feet without the need for a Special Use Permit.

On Wednesday, October 8, Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell (D) signed the bill into law. The bill passed in the House with a vote of 196-1; it passed in the Senate with a vote of 49-1. The new law is scheduled to go into effect December 8, 60 days after signing. ARRL

Are **RF EMISSIONS** from amateur radio stations harmful?

There are hundreds of thousands of amateur radio operators ("hams") worldwide. The FCC licenses amateur radio operators in the United States. The Amateur Radio Service provides its members with the opportunity to communicate with persons all over the world and to provide valuable public service functions, such as making communications services available during disasters and emergencies. Like all FCC licensees, amateur radio operators are required to comply with the FCC's guidelines for safe human exposure to RF fields. Under the FCC's rules, amateur operators can transmit with power levels of up to 1500 watts. However, most operators use considerably less power than this. Studies by the FCC and others have shown that most amateur radio transmitters would not normally expose persons to RF levels in excess of safety limits. This is primarily due to the relatively low operating powers used by most amateurs, the intermittent transmission characteristics typically used and the relative inaccessibility of most amateur antennas. As long as appropriate distances are maintained from amateur antennas, exposure of nearby persons should be well below safety limits. To help ensure compliance of amateur radio facilities with RF exposure guidelines, both the FCC and American Radio Relay League (ARRL) have issued publications to assist operators in evaluating compliance for their stations. FCC

Homeland Security The NC Emergency Management (NCEM) Homeland Security Branch (HSB), on behalf of the State Administrative Agent (SAA), coordinates Grant management and planning activity. The HSB has assisted local and state partner in the securing of federal funding and the development and implementation of capabilities to address North Carolina's ability to prevent, protect, respond and recover to all hazards, both man-made and natural. The HSB continues to coordinate with local, state, federal and private partners. NC Crime Control and Public Safety

Roanoke Division ARRL Service Award

Instituted in 1968 by Roanoke Division Director, Vic Clark, W4KFC, this award recognizes amateurs for a long history of significant and consistent contribution to Amateur Radio. The amateur selected would have, over the years, dedicated much of his or her time to Amateur Radio and the ARRL. Nominees and resumes are encouraged and accepted from the Roanoke Division amateur

1968 Donald B. Morris, W8JM *	1983 Karl Thompson, K8KT
1969 L.Phil Wicker, W4ACY *	1984 John C. Kanode, N4MM
1970 Victor Clark, W4KFC *	1985 Authur Thiemens, AA4AT
1971 Theodore Mathewson, W4FJ*	1986 Harold Robinson, W4QR *
1972 Ethel Smith, K4LMB *	1987 Jimmy Walker, WD4HLZ
1973 Katherine Anderson, W8DUV	1988 Reynold L. Nitsch, W4NTO
1974 William Grenfell, W4GF *	1989 Clayton H. Merrell, W4FX *
1975 Ed Redington, W4ZM *	1990 T. Hunter Wood, W4ANK *
1976 Charles Wright, W4PED	1991 Dennis Bodson, W4PWF
1977 Monte Cone, WA4PBG *	1992 Nancy K. Draheim, NK4U
1978 Harold Richmond, W4CIZ *	1993 Harry D. Vorhauer, W4PVA
1979 Theodore Cohen, N4XX	1994 James B. Macleod, W4NHV
1980 Gay E. Milius, Jr., W4UG *	1995 Robert V. Southworth, KI4YV
1981 Stuart Meyer, W2GHK *	1996 Leland E. Patience, W4DRF*
1982 Paul Rinaldo, W4RI	1997 Oliver N. Rinehart, WD8V*

population. Winners of the Roanoke Division Service Award become members of the selection committee and vote on which nominee should be honored the next year. An individual can receive the award only once. The Roanoke Division Director does the administration of the award.

Below is a list of recipients by year.

1998 Norman G. Harrill, N4NH
1999 Emmie B. Patience, KA4LRM
2000 Richard W. Maylott, W2YE
2001 Tom Gregory, N4NW
2002 Elias (Bus) Etheridge, K4IX *
2003 Les Shattuck, K4NK
2004 Ron Sokol, K4KHZ
2005 James Boehner, MD, N2ZZ
2005 John Covington, W4CC
2006 Alan Bosch, KO4ALA
2007 None Awarded

* Deceased

NOMINATION FORM

I hereby nominate the following Roanoke Division Amateur to receive the Roanoke Division ARRL Service Award.

Name _____ Call _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Nominated By _____ Call _____

Please attach resume. List all significant Amateur Radio achievements. Any documentation is helpful. Attach Amateur Radio magazine reference, club newsletters, newspaper clipping, etc. Closing date for nomination is December 1, 2008. Return this form with resume and any documentation to:

ARRL ROANOKE DIVISION DIRECTOR
Dennis Bodson, W4PWF
233 N Columbus Street
Arlington, Virginia 22203

Date _____

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Smoke Test Editor	Steve Emory	N4SET	658-0261	n4set@arrl.net
<p>American Radio Relay League Affiliate No. 0602 WCARS meets at 7:30 PM the first Thursday of each month at the Simpson Building at AB Technical Community College. Everyone is welcome to attend. Membership dues are \$20 per year payable in January.</p>				

Net	Freq (MHz) offset/PL	Day	12 Hr Time	NOTES
WCARS Information Net	146.910-/91.5	Monday	9:00 pm	Informal, Everyone Welcome
Oasis Shrine Radio Corp. Net.	145.190	Sunday	9:00 pm	
BRARC Net	146.640/91.5	Sunday	8:00pm	
Good Morning Net	146.760	M-W-F	9:00 am	Informal, Everyone Welcome
Madison Co. Am.Rad.Com.Tm	224.660/100	Tuesday	9:00 pm	Madison Co. Emerg. Comm. Net
Buncombe Co. Emerg Mgt Net	146.910/91.5	Wednesday	9:00 pm	Directed Net, ARES / RACES
Haywood County Monday Night Roundtable	147.390/94.8	Monday	8:00 pm	Informal, Everyone Welcome
Volunteer Net	147.180+/136.5	Friday	9:00 pm	Info, News and Swap Net
6600 Net	145.190	Saturday	9:00 pm	Many Check-Ins - Wide Coverage
Blue Ridge Traffic Net	146.610	Nightly	9:00 pm	May be ARES / SKYWARN in bad WX
Mount Pisgah 220 Net	224.260	Sunday	9:00 pm	Informal, Everyone Welcome
Mount Mitchell 220 Net	224.540	Monday	8:00 pm	Informal, Everyone Welcome
SATERN Net	14.265	Daily	3:00 pm	Salvation Army Team Emerg. Radio net (Time is UTC)
K4UUQ Morning Net	7.225	Daily	7:00 am	Rag chew
NC Morning Net	3.927	Daily	7:45 am	SSB Traffic Net
NC Evening Net	3.923	Daily	6:30 pm	SSB Traffic Net
Carolinas Net (early)	3.573	Daily	7:00 pm	CW (20-22 wpm) Traffic Net
Tarheel Emergency Net	3.923	Nightly	7:30 pm	Directed Net, NC Emerg. Mgt / traffic
Carolinas Slow Net	3.571	Nightly	8:00 pm	Slow CW (8-10 wpm) Traffic Net
Carolinas Net (late)	3.573	Nightly	10:00 pm	CW (15-18 wpm) Traffic Net