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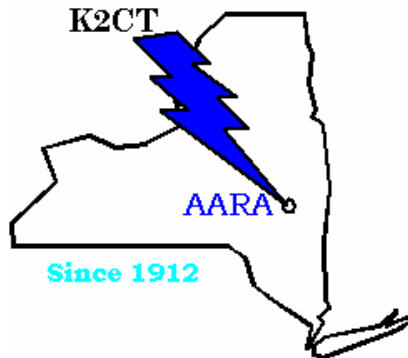
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## AARA

### DINNER

### Friday April 8

Cash Bar starts at 6:00PM

Shaker Ridge Country Club

## AARA Annual Dinner

April 8, 2005

Shaker Ridge Country Club

802 Albany Shaker Rd.

April 8, 2004 – cash bar cocktails  
and soft drinks at 6:00PM,  
Dinner at 7:00 PM

### K2CT Repeater

**Talk-in repeater**

**145.19 (-) MHz**

**pl tone 100.0hz**

**or**

**444.30 (+) w/pl tone 100.0hz**

### **AARA Dues**

Dues are \$15 with  
B-PLUS available at the K2CT Web page in  
.pdf format [www.k2ct.net](http://www.k2ct.net)

OR \$20 for first class mailing of the  
newsletter Checks should be made out to  
AARA and sent to: Saul Abrams, K2XA,  
307 Maple Rd., Slingerlands, NY 12159

## 2005 ARRL DX CONTEST

-- CW RESULTS

STATION	CATEGORY	QSOs	COUNTRIES	CLAIMED SCORE
N1EU	SO (H) A	1974	433	2,564,226
W2GDJ	SO (H) A	1525	351	1,605,825
K2ONP	SO (H) A	1474	351	1,552,122
N2LBR				
(+WA1KKM)	M/S	746	268	599,784
K2XF	SO (H) A	681	281	574,083
WE2F	SOSB (20M)	1485	107	476,685
K2BX	SO (H) A	604	236	427,632
K2EP	SO (H) A	463	247	343,083
WK2H	SO (H) A	518	208	323,232
N1JP	SO (H) A	469	219	307,476
NW2J	SO (L)	278	124	103,416
NA2NA	SO (H) A	155	111	51,615
WF2B	SO (H) A	100	90	27,000

## 2005 ARRL DX CONTEST

-- PHONE RESULTS

STATION	CATEGORY	QSOs	COUNTRIES	CLAIMED SCORE
W2GDJ	SO (H) A	1166	347	1,213,806
NA2NA	SO (H) A	925	297	824,175
K2XA	SOSB (20M)	1846	127	703,326
N1EU	SO (H) A	595	322	574,770
K2XF	SO (H) A	635	256	487,680
K2ONP	SO (H) A	584	253	443,256
WE2F	SOSB (20M)	1173	117	411,723
N2LBR				
(+WA1KKM)	M/S	567	230	391,230
K2BX	SO (H) A	474	209	297,198
WK2H	SO (H) A	417	212	265,212
N1JP	SO (H) A	320	147	141,120
WB2KLD	SO (H)	294	114	100,548
KM2O	SO (H)	228	123	84,132
WF2B	SO (H)	35	30	3,150

Thanks to everyone who sent us scores!

73,  
Walt, WA1KKM and Sue, N2LBR

**DX-Cluster can be accessed on web at  
<telnet://na2na.net>**

## AARA Annual Dinner

**Friday April 8, 2005**

at the Shaker Ridge Country Club.

Cash Bar Cocktails 6:00 PM to End  
Dinner 7:00 PM

Choice of:

- 1.) Cranberry Harvest Chicken,
- 2.) Prime Rib of Beef au Jus,
- 3.) Char Grilled Salmon Filet.

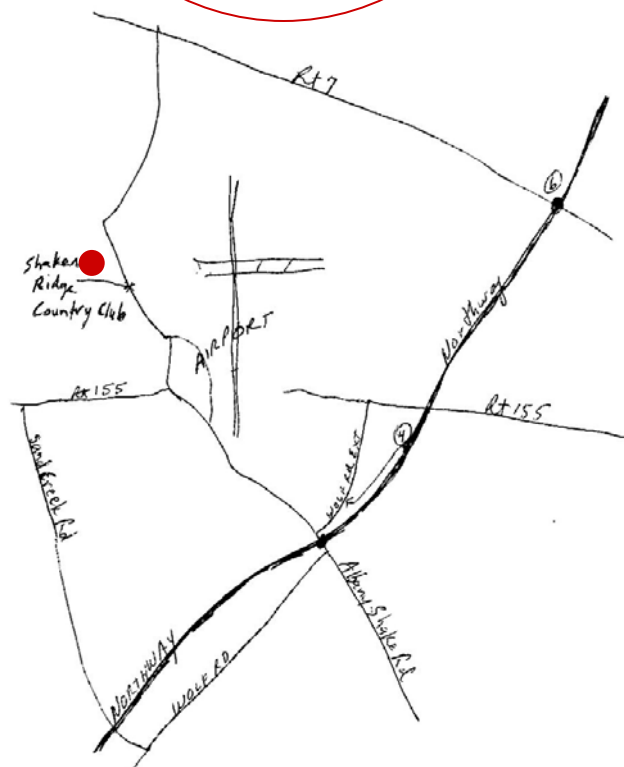
\$25.00 per person (please pay in advance)  
If you know for sure you are coming let WF2B know  
at [WF2B@verizon.net](mailto:WF2B@verizon.net)

Send checks (made out to AARA) to:

Bud Hovey  
15 Sylvan Lane  
Troy, NY 12180-8542

Our featured speaker is Howard McCulloch from DOT. He will be talking to us about the latest hot topic on DOT's agenda -- "Roundabouts". One of our members heard his presentation and highly recommends it.

We will also have a 50-50 raffle and a number of door prizes.



On 146.94 MHz Repeater from 6:30-8:00 AM Jock, KB2GOM runs a 2-meter Commuter Net.

During severe inclement weather, June, KB2JTG runs a 2-meter Commuter Net from 4:00-6:00 PM

### This Week in Amateur Radio

For more information see the TWIAR web site. <http://www.twiar.org>

### SWAP SHOP

Send items to B-Plus editor, Mike, WD2AJS at [wd2ajs@arrl.net](mailto:wd2ajs@arrl.net) or call 489-3110

**For Sale:** Yaesu Kilowatt-Perfect with manual \$700.; phone patch \$35; Yaesu FT-101E needs repair \$100; DuMont oscilloscope with separate calibrator \$25; Kenwood 830 TS slight buzz on transmit \$150; contact Lee W2FYA 436-1296

**Want:** I'm looking for a Triband 10 thru 20 m 3 element Yagi like the A3S or equivalent the 40 meter kit would be nice too but for now I'd settle for an antenna in good shape I could put up. Also need a rotor of the same size to turn the array. Thanks C U soon Frank Gagliardi W2FPG 374-9707

**For Sale:** TenTec Omni D with factory mode to model B and factory mode to include 30 meters and 12 meters. Ten Tec Auxiliary VFO, and TenTec Power supply. Microphone and other extras. Last chance at \$350.00 before I advertise it on TenTec reflector. Bud Hovey, 283-2337 or [wf2b@verizon.net](mailto:wf2b@verizon.net).

[www.k2ct.net](http://www.k2ct.net)

**WE** are looking for pictures of your Ham Shack

Send pictures to Peter, N2KAD

**Please** try the new site and let me know what you think. If you have any feedback please let me know.

73, Peter Hines, N2KAD, webmaster  
[hines@nycap.rr.com](mailto:hines@nycap.rr.com) with any suggestions.

### *Public Service:*

*Volunteer CONTACT John, WE2F at 283-4304*

**AARA WE Need YOU to Volunteer AARA**

### East Greenbush Amateur Radio Association

#### PRESENTS

2nd Annual Hamfest 2005

May 21, 2005

Will be held at the Phillips Road Firehouse located in East Greenbush, NY

Pavilion Tables \$10

(1st come 1st served basis limited space)

Tailgating Free with General Admission \$5.00

Vendor Setup at 6:00 AM

Gate Opens at 8:00 AM till 1:00 PM

VE Exams (held at 9:00 AM off site)

Talk In 146.520 Simplex

Food Booth Open all Day

For Information on reservations contact :

[KB2HWL@NYCAP.RR.COM](mailto:KB2HWL@NYCAP.RR.COM)

Directions: I 90 take Exit 9 to Rt. 4 South 1.4 miles to 9 & 20. Take 9 West 0.5 miles turn Left on Phillips Road 0.6 miles to East Greenbush Fire Dept. # 3 on Right.

Nelson WB2SBO is in the Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Delmar, N.Y.

He can have visitors but call ahead. Cards are more than welcome.

Jack WA2YBM

### Pumpkin Patrol certificates

I have the certificates from the Pumpkin Patrol for the following people ----

June and Dave Kinnerson, Dave Patti, KB2HPW, George Bowen, W2XBS, Tony Pazzola, W2BEJ, Randy Stein, KA2TJZ, Mitch Donovan, KA2MAT, Don Roberts, W2CJO, Barry Leet, WA2CW, Tim Moody, WA2QAC, Bill Houlton, KA2OWW, Ken Clickman, AA2CW, Andy Lichioveri, KB2TSA and Kathy Schleich, N2XKF.

Please call Jack, WA2YBM at 869-1074 to make arrangements for you to pick it up. Can YOU also take one for someone else? Jack WA2YBM

## **FCC DECLINES TO RECONSIDER \$10,000 FINE IN GERRITSEN CASE**

The FCC has denied a Petition for Reconsideration and upheld a \$10,000 fine against briefly licensed radio amateur and alleged jammer Jack Gerritsen, ex-KG6IRO, of Bell, California. The FCC proposed the forfeiture last June after charging that Gerritsen had interfered with Amateur Radio communications. The Commission affirmed the fine in a Forfeiture Order last October. The following month, Gerritsen, who claims he's still a Commission licensee, wrote the FCC challenging the fine and its basis. The FCC turned away all of his arguments and suggested it was turning up the heat on Gerritsen, who now faces a total of \$52,000 in FCC-imposed or proposed fines

"Despite repeated warnings that he holds no valid Commission authorization, investigations by field agents in the Bureau's Western Region reveal that Gerritsen persists in his unauthorized operations in the Amateur Service," the FCC said in a March 4 Memorandum Opinion and Order (MO&O). "Because of Gerritsen's ongoing illegal activity, we direct the Western Region to continue to coordinate with the United States Attorney for the Central District of California in pursuing additional sanctions against Gerritsen." Signing the MO&O was FCC Enforcement Bureau Chief David H. Solomon.

The FCC said Gerritsen raised one argument that it already had considered and rejected, but he also brought up two new ones in his November 2 handwritten letter, which the

FCC considered a Petition for Reconsideration. The Commission turned away Gerritsen's contention that the federal government was attempting to deprive him of his constitutional right of free speech. The FCC countered by noting that the right of free speech "does not include the right to use radio facilities without a license and that the licensing system established by Congress in the [Communications] Act was a proper exercise of its power over commerce."

Gerritsen also asserted that the Forfeiture Order deprived him of due process. The FCC pointed out that Sections 503 and 504 of the Communications Act contain safeguards that legally satisfy due process requirements.

The FCC said reconsideration "is appropriate only where the petitioner either demonstrates a material error or omission in the underlying order or raises additional facts not known or not existing until after the petitioner's last opportunity to present such matters."

In mid-December, the ARRL called upon Solomon to intervene with the US Attorney's office in the Gerritsen case, citing the urgency of the situation and suggesting "that procedures other than monetary forfeitures be brought to bear." ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, suggested in the letter that the time for gathering additional evidence was past, since the malicious interference continues. Several hundred ARRL members from the Los Angeles area have complained to the League about Gerritsen's alleged activities.



B-PLUS May deadline is April 30<sup>th</sup>.

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