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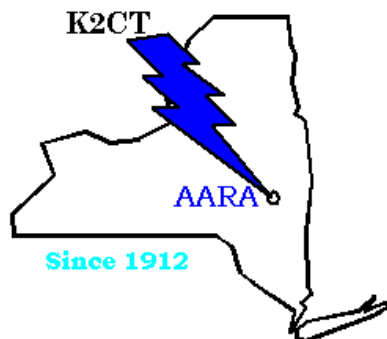
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100th Year Celebration

AARA

AARA Meets at the
**Osterhout Community
Center in off RT 85 on
7 Old-New Salem Rd,
Voorheesville**

Friday MARCH 9

Social Hour 6:55 PM
Meeting begins 7:47 PM
refreshments
soda, diet soda, coffee etc.

MARCH MEETING

Program:
Dave Hubbel, N2KTO
A presentation on DSTAR, ARPS and
DRATS.

**AARA Dinner will be on
Fri April 20, 2012
100th Year Celebration see page3**

NOTE: March meeting will be held in the
Osterhout Community Center in off RT 85 on 7
Old-New Salem Rd, Voorheesville.

K2CT Repeater

Talk-in repeater 145.19 (-) MHz
pl tone 103.5Hz

AARA Dues

Dues are \$15 with B-PLUS available at the
K2CT Web page in .pdf format www.k2ct.net
OR

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

50/50 Raffle at the meeting

\$1.00 for 1 ticket OR

3 tickets for \$2.00

AARA Dinner
Fri April 20, 2012

The money for the Annual Dinner is **Due March 9**, (the March Meeting). The price is \$35.00 per person see page3

100 Year Celebration

ATVET **Albany Troy Volunteer Examiner Team**

If you are interested in amateur radio, and would like to take the exam, the Albany/Troy VE Team (ATVET) stands ready to assist. ATVET is a joint effort of the Albany Amateur Radio Association (AARA), and the Troy Amateur Radio Association (TARA).

If you like to help out next season contact: ATVET LIAISON: Gerald Murray, WA2IWW
atvet@n2ty.org or 518-482-8700

Exam Date	Day	Doors Open	Exam Time (Doors will Close)
March 10, 2012	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
April 28, 2012	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
May 5, 2012	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM
July 25, 2012 (Tentative)	Wednesday	6:20 PM	7:00 PM
October 13, 2012 (Tentative)	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM

PIO needed

AARA is in desperate need of a **public information officer** to generate press releases for such things as our Ham class, our club's 100th anniversary, Field Day, our Special event station, etc.

These press releases might go not only to the Times Union, but the Spotlight and Our Town magazines, and even QST.

If you have an interest in helping being a PIO to help our club become more high profile, generate public awareness and perhaps generate a few new warm bodies, please let me know via k2qy@arrl.net or my cell 401 261 4996.



Licensing Class

The dates for our 2012 licensing class are firmed up. We have been asked to hold the classes at the Elsmere Fire Department in 15 West Poplar Dr, Delmar.

Classes will begin Thursday evening 7PM, March 29th and run for six weeks, culminating in a VE exam on May 7th.

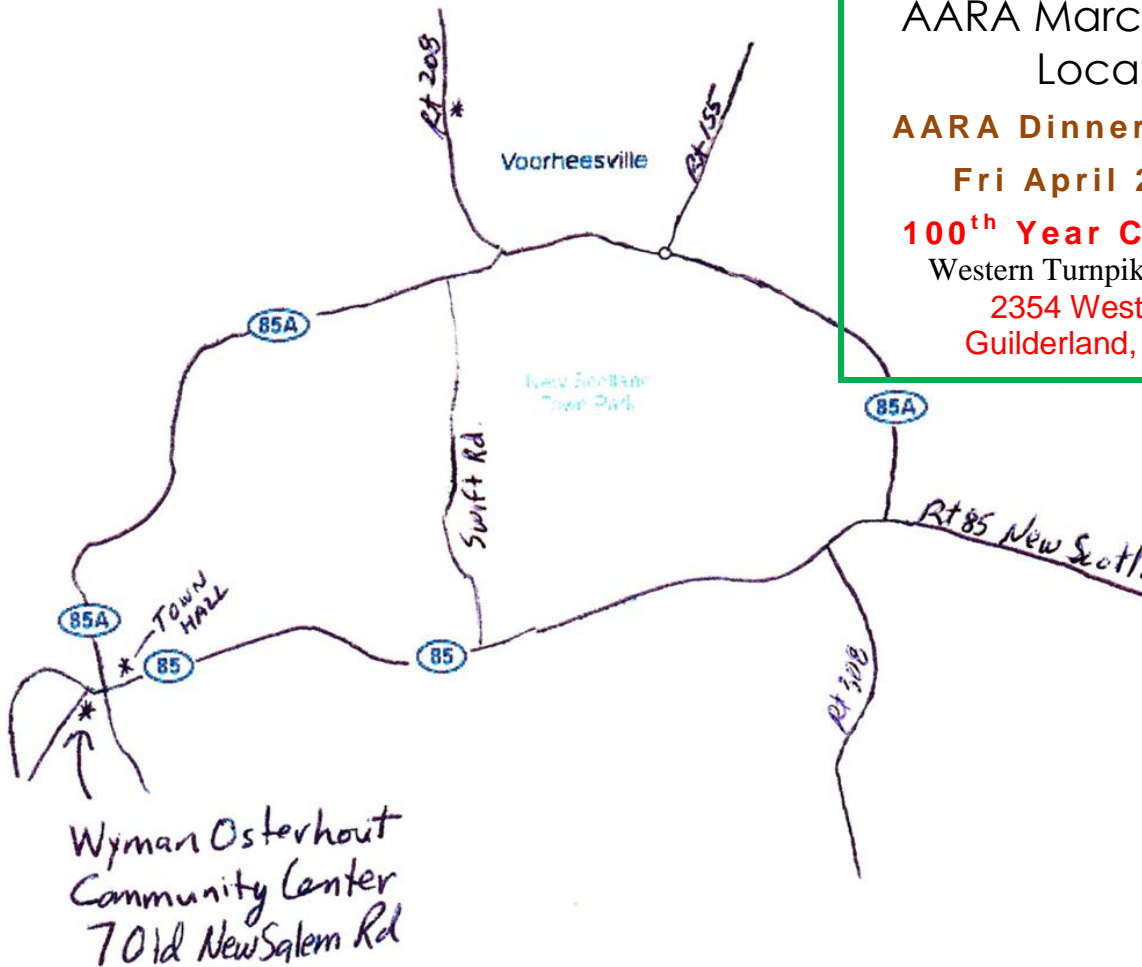
All are welcome to attend the classes, even newly licensed hams who just want more info about the hobby. At this point we have about 8 firemen wishing to take the class. Please talk it up so we can have a good turn out.

73 de John, K2QY

AARA March meeting Location

**AARA Dinner will be on
Fri April 20, 2012**

100th Year Celebration
Western Turnpike Golf Course
2354 Western Ave.
Guilderland, NY 12084



AARA Dinner Assemblyman Jack McEneny has agreed to be our guest speaker at the dinner. He is a noted Albany historian and is familiar with the 1960-1970s ham radio scene in the area. He always delivers an interesting presentation.

Meal choices are

- Sliced Sirloin of Beef,
- Chicken Parmigiana,
- Haddock Francaise.

It will be held at the Western Turnpike Golf Course
6pm Dinner at 7PM, April 20

(the 3rd Friday in April).

The money for the Annual Dinner is **Due March 9**,
(the March Meeting). The price is \$35.00 per person
See Steve, KC2VUE at the meeting.

Are You Changing Your Address: Please contact Walt, WA1KKM 456-3637 or via e-mail sue.walt@verizon.net with your address corrections

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***** AARA CONTESTERS ON THE AIR *****

2012 ARRL DX CONTEST -- CW RESULTS

<u>STATION</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>QSOs</u>	<u>COUNTRIES</u>	<u>CLAIMED SCORE</u>
W2XL	M/2	3587	474	5,100,714
(+W2EG+NX2X+ops.)				
N1EU	SO(H)A	2588	497	3,858,708
K2XA	SO(H)	2355	359	2,356,335
K2ONP	SO(H)A	1677	400	2,011,200
W2GDJ	SO(H)A	1400	371	1,558,200
N2LBR	M/2	1245	334	1,247,490
(+WA1KKM)				
K2EP	SO(H)A	822	346	852,198
N1CC	SO(L)A	616	268	495,264
K2XF	SO(H)A	557	291	486,261
WF2B	SO(H)A	330	172	170,280
W2EG	SO(H)40M	582	82	143,172
WA3AFS	SO(H)A	200	200	120,000
K2BX	SO(H)A	187	126	70,308

2012 CQ 160-METER CONTEST -- CW RESULTS

<u>STATION</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>QSOs</u>	<u>MULTIPLIERS</u>	<u>CLAIMED SCORE</u>
K2ONP	SO(H)A	571	84	132,048
WA3AFS	SO(H)A	279	88	82,896
K2EP	SO(H)A	125	49	18,228
K2BX	SO(H)A	135	36	12,456

Thanks for all the scores!
73, Walt, WA1KKM and Sue, N2LBR

March 2012

- BARTG HF RTTY Contest Mar 17 - 19
- Russian DX Contest Mar 17 - 18
- CQ WW WPX Contest, SSB Mar 24 - 25

April 2012

- SARL 80m QSO Party 1700Z-2000Z, Apr 5
- LZ Open 40m Sprint Contest 0400Z-0800Z, Apr 7
- SP DX Contest Apr 7 - 8
- EU Spring Sprint, CW 1600Z-1959Z, Apr 14
- Georgia QSO Party 1800Z, Apr 14 to 2359Z, Apr 15
- Rookie Roundup 1800 UTC to 2359 UTC, Apr 15
- Hungarian Straight Key Contest 1500Z-1700Z, Apr 15
- TARA Skirmish Digital Prefix Contest 0000Z-2400Z, Apr 21
- Holyland DX Contest 0000Z-2359Z, Apr 21
- ES Open HF Championship 0500Z-0859Z, Apr 21
- EU Spring Sprint, SSB 1600Z-1959Z, Apr 21
- Michigan QSO Party Apr 21 - 22
- Ontario QSO Party Apr 21 - 22

ARRL Field Day 1800Z, Jun 23 to 2100Z, Jun 24

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