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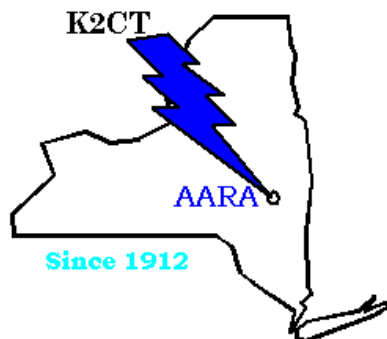
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AARA

Meets at the
Colonie Community Center
1653 Central Ave. Colonie

Friday Nov. 12

Social Hour 6:55 PM

Meeting begins 7:47 PM

refreshments
soda, diet soda, coffee etc.

NOV. MEETING

ALFALFA: The Hunt for Starless Galaxies with the
Arecibo Radio Telescope
Don't miss this one! We are very excited to
have Dr. Rose Finn speaking to the AARA this
month. Rose is on the faculty at Siena College and
has a great wealth of research experience
throughout her career, which includes time working
with the Hubble space telescope and the Arecibo
installation in Puerto Rico. She continues her work
now at Siena and regularly takes students on
research missions to the largest radio telescope in
the world. We are pleased to welcome her on Nov
12th to speak with us about her research, which is so
closely related to our hobby and think you will be
fascinated by the work she is doing and thoroughly
enjoy her talk.

K2CT Repeater

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

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
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

Hudson Division Award Luncheon November 14th Oct. Hudson Division Beacon -

This is the last opportunity to order tickets and ads or sponsor a plaque.

No tickets will be sold at the door. They must be preordered.

The East Coast DX Association will host the ARRL Hudson Division 2010 Awards Luncheon On Sunday - November 14, 2010 from 12:00 Noon - 4:00 PM the 2010 ARRL Hudson Division Awards event will be held at Biagio's Restaurant in Paramus, NJ. The key note speaker will be ARRL President Kay Craigie, N3KN. Five awards will be presented this year:

Amateur of the Year - Nancy Rosner, N2TKA - (NLI)

Grand Ole Ham - Jerry Jankowitz, NO2T - (NNJ)

Technical Achievement - Julius Jones, W2IHY - (ENY)

In addition President Craigie will present the ARRL Board award, the 2010 ARRL Technical Service Award to Richard Knadle, K2RIW, of Dix Hills, New York, for his service to Amateur Radio, serving as Net Control Operator for 27 years for the Technical Net on the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club's repeater.

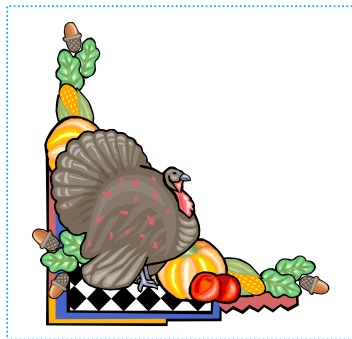
She will also present the George Hart Distinguished Service Award honoring longtime ARRL Communications Manager W1NJM, retired; and awarded to amateurs who have a long history of public service communications, and who have accrued lengthy exemplary records in multiple facets of public service communications work. The ARRL Board of Directors conferred the inaugural George Hart Distinguished Service Award upon George W. Hippisley, W2RU, William M. Smith, W7GHT and David Struebel, WB2FTX. David, the only Hudson Division recipient, will be on hand to receive his award. This is the first time the award is being presented. David was the recipient of the ARRL Hudson Division Technical Award in 2009.

See <http://www.hudson.arrl.org/#HudsonAwards> for details on journal ads and tickets.

On the Air: No "Maybes" About It -- ARRL Sweepstakes is Fun! The ARRL Letter for October 28, 2010

ARRL Sweepstakes has been part of Amateur Radio in the US and Canada for more than 75 years. In 2010, the tradition continues with the 77th running of the best domestic contest in all of Amateur Radio: CW will be the weekend of November 6, while the Phone portion of the contest runs the weekend of November 20. The 2010 ARRL November CW Sweepstakes runs from 2100 UTC Saturday, November 6 through 0300 UTC Monday, November 8.

The SSB portion of Sweepstakes runs from 2100 UTC Saturday, November 20 through 0300 UTC Monday, **November 22**. Why not make plans now to join thousands of other radio amateurs across the continent and get in on this year's fun in the ARRL November Sweepstakes! Send a copy of your log and score to sue.walt@verizon.net in plain text



AARA needs to find a new meeting location by the January meeting.
Can you help Find us a Free or reasonably priced location? Call Ernie, K2EP 477-9581

The Nominating Committee Bud, WF2B, Mike, WD2AJS and Randy, KC1NN is looking for anyone that would like to lead the Club. All officers are up for change in Dec.

Nomination from the floor will also be accepted at the Dec. Election Meeting

AARA 2010 GET ON THE AIR SPRINT

THURSDAY
Dec. 9th 2010 7PM – 8PM
28.400-28.500 USB

2010 AARA 10 METER SPRINT ANNOUNCEMENT

*** SEE NEW EXCHANGE INFORMATION BELOW ***

It's once again that time of year for the AARA 10 Meter Sprint! This year's event will be the evening of Thursday, December 9 (the night before the December AARA meeting) between 7pm and 8pm local time. (In UTC, that's December 10 between 0000z and 0100z.) Frequencies for the Sprint are 28.4-28.5 MHz. All contacts should be made using Upper Side Band. You can log your contacts on paper, or you can use Bud's (WF2B) logging software. The software runs using Excel or OpenOffice, and includes complete instructions. **To obtain a copy**, send Bud an e-mail telling him which version of Excel or OpenOffice you're using, or bring a USB drive with you to the November meeting. You can find Bud's e-mail address in the AARA member directory or on the k2ct.net website in the members only section.

NEW FOR THIS YEAR: Exchange the last two digits of the year you were first licensed (like the Check in ARRL November Sweepstakes) and your first name (or nickname). For example, a valid exchange is "75 Joe" (assuming your name is Joe and you were first licensed in 1975). Use the same two-digit year and name for every contact.

Since there are still not many sunspots, we'll keep things lively by retaining the "10-Minute Rule" from last year. As long as at least 10 minutes have elapsed since you last worked a particular station, you may work that station again for QSO credit. For example, if W2ABC works K2XYZ at 0004z, they can work each other again at or after 0014z. If they find each other again at 0016z and complete a second QSO at that time, they can work each other a third time at or after 0026z. Therefore, it is possible to work every station up to a maximum of six times during the one hour Sprint period. If two stations involved in a QSO have clocks that aren't synchronized, it's not a problem. Each station must wait at least 10 minutes by his or her own clock. Score one point for every valid contact you make, with one exception: your first contact with K2CT, the AARA club station, is worth 10 points.

Your log should record the time of each complete contact, the call sign of the station worked, and the exchange sent to and received from that station (two-digit year and name). Also record the points for each complete contact and the total claimed score. Be sure to put your own call sign on the log you submit, especially if your log is on paper.

Send a copy of your complete log to us via e-mail (plain text or Bud's logging file only) at: sue.walt@verizon.net

Or, bring a copy of your log on paper to the December meeting.

See you on 10 Meters! 73, Walt, WA1KKM and Sue, N2LBR

ATVET 2010 EXAM SCHEDULE

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).

CII Building - Room 3045, RPI Campus, Troy, NY

Exam Date	Day	Doors Open	Exam Time (Doors will Close)
November 13, 2010	Saturday	9:20 AM	10:00 AM

ATVET LIAISON: Gerald Murray, WA2IWW atvet@n2ty.org or 518-482-8700

AARA and FIELD DAY

If you'd like to donate a no longer needed system that has a CPU speed of at least 700 MHz, please let me know! An upgrade of our present Field Day computers will allow us to put additional features of **KB** to use, such as the DVK feature for the phone stations and the code reader for the GOTA station. Want know more about KB go to www.K2CT.net.

73, Walt, WA1KKM



"Quiz Game" Played at the Oct 2010 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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