



THE PROPAGATOR

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GSARA MEETING WED. OCT. 3

The next regular meeting of the GSARA will be held on **Wednesday, October 3** at **8:00 PM** at the MARS building in Fort Monmouth. You are encouraged to come early to enjoy the refreshments and the informal eyeball conversations. We look forward to seeing YOU at the meeting!

FORT MONMOUTH PASSES

If you have not yet renewed your Fort Monmouth pass, send Frank, W2XYZ the required data which Frank will forward to Charlie Sleight of the Physical Security Office who will have it entered into the Ft. Monmouth computer. It is only after the data is in the computer that you can pick up the pass at the Oceanport visitor center. The passes are good for six months.

THE GSARA WEBSITE NEEDS YOU

Bruce McLeod is getting tired after being the GSARA webmaster for ten years. He says he wants to let someone else have that pleasure. Just think – you can be your own boss and at the same time you can have the freedom to put your own creativity into action. You don't have to know HTML nor do you need sophisticated web page creation software. You can create pages in Microsoft Word and save them as HTML files. Then you need a service provider like QSL.net to store the pages and an FTP program to ship them off to the site. If you are interested in grabbing this opportunity or learning more about it, email Bruce at k2qwx@yahoo.com.

GSARA HOMEPAGE

<http://www.monmouth.com/~gsara>

HAROLD CLANTON, WB2CJE - SK

Long time GSARA member Harold Clanton, WB2CJE passed away Saturday, September 1. Born in Decatur, IL, he lived in Neptune since 1961. After attending high school in Decatur, Harold enlisted in the army and served during World War II. After his discharge, Harold worked for the U.S. government in the Engineering Department at Fort Monmouth.

Licensed since 1952, Harold was active in many amateur radio clubs including the Neptune Amateur Radio Club, GSARA, OMARC, and QCWA Marconi Chapter 138. He was a member of ARES and RACES and worked with the Neptune Office of Emergency Management.

Harold served as a committeeman for the Boy Scouts Troop 183 and was also a Webelos leader. He was a life member of the American Legion Post 346 and the Neptune Senior Center.

Harold was predeceased by his daughter, Monica Clanton; and his sisters, Patricia Reber and Marilyn McCoy. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Laura Clanton, N2HGI; his sons, William Clanton Sr. and his wife Mary of Manahawkin, Deputy Fire Chief James Clanton and his wife Beth of Neptune City; his daughters, Veronica Kutz and her husband Lanny of Vineland, Pamela Baker and her husband Frank of Neptune; his brother, Ronald Clanton and his wife Key of Decatur; his sister, Phyllis Cotterell of Lexington, KY; ten grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Interment was at Brig. Gen. William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Arnetown. Condolences may be made online at www.elyfuneralhome.com.

Please keep Laura, N2HGI in your prayers at this trying time for her.

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Would you like to help the finances of GSARA and at the same time get your issue of *The Propagator* a few days earlier? You can get every issue e-mailed to your computer every month by simply giving your e-mail address to Bruce McLeod, K2QXW and request *The Propagator* electronically. Bruce's e-mail address is <k2qxw@yahoo.com>

BADGES AND PATCHES

All new GSARA members get a name badge. However, you may order additional ones by getting a Badge Order Form from our Secretary, **Bob Buus, W2OD**, filling it out and turning it in to Bob with your \$5.00 payment.

We also now have patches available at all meetings and they cost \$3.

OUTGOING QSL CARDS

If any GSARA members wish to combine their QSL cards that are going through the outgoing ARRL Bureau, please bring them to the next GSARA meeting along with the label from a recent QST Magazine (you must be an ARRL member to participate in this program). We then send them as a group at no charge to GSARA members. It couldn't be much easier than that to QSL. You are registered at the W2 incoming bureau, aren't you?

PROPAGATOR NOW ON THE WEB

The *Propagator* is available as a PDF file at:

<http://www.monmouth.com/~gsara/prop.pdf>

It is installed on the web about two weeks after the direct mailing to members.

EDITOR'S NOTES

My hiking trip out west was a real blast! I met my 42-year old son in Las Vegas where he had rented a Toyota convertible. We then zoomed out across the Nevada desert to the north rim of the Grand Canyon where we spent three days hiking strenuous trails with magnificent views at every turn. We then drove up to Zion National Park for 2 more days of hiking. The trails at Zion were a bit shorter (usually less than 5 miles) but very steep and challenging. The views were just magnificent. In the five days of day-hiking, we covered over 40 miles and climbed a total of 3 miles vertically. It was a great adventure and I enjoyed it immensely even though I did come home quite exhausted.

The last two Public Service events for the year are coming up in October. See page 8 for more details. If you have a 2 meter HT or mobile, your help would be greatly appreciated. These events give us an opportunity to polish our communications skills and provide an excellent means of showing off amateur radio to the public. If you can help, please contact Tom Cosgrove, N2VFK.

Also, don't forget the OMARC Hamfest on Saturday, October 6. Doors open to buyers at 7 AM and a VE test session is scheduled for 10 AM. Since admission charges are per car, it pays to carpool with several of your friends. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

I just received word from Frank, W2XYZ that Oceanport Avenue (the east entrance to Fort Monmouth) will be closed Wednesday, October 3, the day of our meeting. Plan your driving accordingly.

Remember if you change your e-mail address; please be sure to inform Bruce McLeod, K2QXW.

As always, I appreciate feedback or material for *The Propagator*. The deadline for the October issue is October 15.

73 de Bob, w2od@arrl.net

GSARA CALENDAR

<http://www.monmouth.com/~gsara/calendr.htm>

MINUTES OF SEPT. 5, 2007 MEETING

By Bob Buus, W2OD
Secretary

The meeting was called to order at Fort Monmouth by President Jeff Harshman, N2LXM, at 8:05 PM. After the pledge to the flag, all members present introduced themselves. There were 17 members and one guest present. The guest was Mel Palawasta, N2MEL.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Frank Wroblewski, W2XYZ made a report for August. A motion was made by Mike, KC2Q and seconded by Tom, N2VFK to accept the report. It was unanimously accepted.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Mike, KC2Q and seconded by Peggy Struening to accept the minutes of the August meeting as published in the September Propagator. The motion was unanimously accepted.

Old Business

Lighthouse weekend was a success. The NADXA operated at the Sea Girt lighthouse with great success. The OMARC operated at Sandy Hook. Although the mosquitoes were bad, they managed over 300 contacts. There were six other lighthouses active in the area so it was a very successful weekend.

Bob, W2OD made a major correction on his talk the previous month about the history of amateur radio. The origin of "Ham" is not from the Harvard radio station but instead was a very derogatory term used with contempt by commercial operators in the early, unlicensed days prior to 1912.

Health and Welfare

Longtime GSARA member Harold Clanton, WB2CJE died on September 1. Viewing will be at the Ely Funeral Home on Thursday, September 6 with a funeral on Friday. Our sympathy is extended to his widow, Laura, N2HGI.

A thank you card was received from Donna Wilkins, widow of KB2RIS. We should keep her in our prayers.

Ray, W2NXG had 3 stents inserted at St. Michael's hospital in Newark. He is now recovering.

Public Service

The Juvenile Diabetes Walk will be held Sunday, October 7 in Avon starting at 8 AM.

The annual CROP walk will be Sunday, October 21 in Red Bank from noon to 5 PM. If you can help in either of these events, contact Tom, N2VFK.

Announcements

The Mt. Airy VHF club (Packrats) Flea Market is coming up on September 30 in Wrightstown, PA.

The OMARC Hamfest is Saturday, October 6 at the Diana site in Wall, NJ.

The Hudson Division Awards Dinner is Saturday, November 10 in Saddle Brook, NJ. Tickets are \$48 per person and must be purchased before October 29.

Amateur Radio classes will again be conducted by OMAC starting October and running for 12 Saturday mornings. For more information or to register, call Pat Brannick, N2BZD.

The OMARC bus trip to ARRL Headquarters was cancelled due to lack of interest.

Bill, WA2DND brought an extra application for an Amateur Radio license plate in NJ. If anyone wants to use it, it will be available at each meeting until it's used.

Frank, W2XYZ spent a couple of days sailing in the Atlantic and operating MM.

Infoage will again have a haunted hotel for the three weekends preceding Halloween. These are the first 3 Fridays and Saturdays in October. Volunteers are needed. See Jeff, N2LXM if you could help in any way.

Closing

A drawing was held for the main door prize which was won by Sam, KC2HAW. He donated his winnings back to GSARA. Thank you, Sam.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Tom, N2VFK and seconded by Howard, W2HTS to close the meeting which was closed at 9:07 PM.

ARRL ON-LINE AUCTION COMING

The Second Annual ARRL On-Line Auction kicks off October 24, running until November 2 on the ARRL Web site <<http://www.arrl.org/auction>>. This is your chance to pick up one-of-a-kind Amateur Radio items. To see what the Auction will offer this year, be sure to check out the Auction preview that begins October 17. Last year, the Auction attracted more than 4300 bidders from 36 countries. While the majority of buyers were from the USA, Canada and the UK, there were buyers from Australia, Malaysia, Grenada and Tanzania.

According to ARRL Chief Operating Officer Harold Kramer, WJ1B, "Last year's on-line auction was our first and it was a great success. When the bidding ended, we realized that we had sold 104 items and we had raised just over \$37,000." Proceeds from the auction benefit ARRL education programs including activities to license new hams, strengthen Amateur Radio's emergency service training, offer continuing technical and operating education, as well as creating instructional materials.

This year's auction will include many products tested by the ARRL Lab for QST Product Review. These items include an ICOM IC-7800, a Ten-Tec Omni VII, a Palstar Auto Antenna Tuner, an MJF 974H Balanced Antenna Tuner and a Heil Traveler Headset. There will be many vintage items offered, including the antique transmitter featured in John Dilks' "Old Radio" column in the November 2007 issue of QST. Also, returning by popular demand will be five ARRL Lab unique "junque" boxes.

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VINTAGE RADIO/PHONO FOR FREE

Last year I picked up an old Wards floor console radio/phono unit dating from the late 40' early 50's and planned on restoring it but honestly lost interest plus don't have the time needed to do it properly. If anyone in GSARA wants it, it is a first come first served free offer.

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PAVE PAWS INTERFERENCE

The ARRL participated in a teleconference call on Wednesday, September 19, with the Department of Defense (DoD) regarding Amateur Radio repeaters interfering with the Air Force's PAVE Paws radar system.

According to ARRL Regulatory Branch Manager Dan Henderson, N1ND, "The DoD acknowledges that it has seen changes at some repeater sites, but not all of them." He said the DoD has revisited the Massachusetts repeaters, located near Otis Air Force Base on Cape Cod, to "remeasure the numbers. Some Massachusetts repeater owners have volunteered to completely turn off their systems and some others have made changes, but more is needed at both PAVE Paws radar sites."

The DoD, Henderson continued, has identified additional sources of interference in Massachusetts. "This was not really unexpected and is part of what has become an ongoing project. The ARRL will begin working with these repeater owners as soon as the DoD provides us with specific information," he said.

In California, where more than 100 repeaters are being scrutinized by the DoD, Henderson said the majority of repeaters have not been mitigated: "The Air Force has not had a chance to revisit Beale Air Force Base for new measurements, but it will be happening soon."

Reports have circulated that a number of California repeater owners have decided to take no further action about mitigating the interference unless they receive official notice from the Federal Communications Commission. "If these reports are true," Henderson said, "it is unfortunate. The FCC has stayed abreast of the discussions between the League and the DoD, and they are prepared to act appropriately if they are contacted by the DoD."

He continued: "The DoD has indicated they are willing to allow the ARRL to continue its attempts to mitigate the interference; however, they have expressed a sense of urgency that this must come to a conclusion. Those waiting for FCC action may find it coming sooner rather than later."

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DAYTON ARA TO HONOR SILENT KEYS

If you know of a ham who has died in service during the conflicts in Afghanistan or Iraq, the Dayton Amateur Radio Association would like to honor them. DARA is looking to publish a memorial page in the Hamvention 2008 program listing these SKs, with their name, call sign, branch of service, rank and unit. For more information, please contact Ed Collins, N8NUY <n8nuy@arrrl.net>.

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FRED VETH, WB2YTA - SK

Former GSARA member Frederick E. "Fred" Veth, Jr., WB2YTA of Nescopeck, PA, formerly of Middletown, was pronounced dead at his home on September 12. He was in failing health for the past year. Born May 1, 1943, in Long Branch, he resided in Nescopeck for 10 years; in Catawissa, PA from 1981 to 1997, and in Middletown before that.

Fred graduated Middletown Township High School in 1961 and attended Monmouth University. Following high school, he served in the U.S. Navy for three years. He was last employed as a truck driver by Shaffer Trucking Co., Palmyra, PA, where he worked for six years, retiring in 2005. Before that, he was employed by Kawneer Inc, Bloomsburg, PA as an electrician for 15 years.

Fred's amateur radio activity included belonging to the Rooster Net on 3990. He also belonged to the Berwick (PA) Elks Lodge 138 and served as an EMA volunteer for Columbia County, PA. A favorite pastime was fishing with his grandchildren.

He was predeceased by a brother, Richard Veth. Surviving are a son and three daughters, all of PA and five grandchildren. He is also survived by five brothers, Robert Veth and his wife Kathleen of Chelmsford, MA, Thomas Veth and his wife Margaret of Atlantic Highlands, Raymond Veth and his wife Susan, James Veth, and Richard Veth, all of Middletown; two sisters, Kathleen and her husband James Spielmann of Edison, and Karen and her husband Sean McNamara of Aberdeen; a sister-in-law, Jane Veth of Belmar; and his former wife, Margo Veth of Bloomsburg.

May Fred rest in peace.

1x1 CALLS FOR DXCC

When sending cards to confirm 1x1 call signs, the ARRL QSL Service requests you note somewhere on the card the person who requisitioned the call sign. This will expedite routing to the proper station and may result in quicker processing of cards handled through the ARRL US Incoming Bureaus. To locate the person responsible for a 1x1 call sign, please visit the NCVEC's 1x1 Special Event Call Sign Web page <<http://www.ncvec.org/1x1.php>> and enter the 1x1 call sign. When the screen appears, select the 1x1 call sign based on the event you worked. Click "Details" on the right-hand side of the page to determine the person responsible for the operation (see "Requisitioned By"). Remember, call signs may be issued more than once, so following the above procedure will allow the QSL Service to direct it to the proper person. For more information on frequently asked questions concerning the ARRL DXCC program, please see the DXCC FAQ page <<http://www.arrrl.org/awards/dxcc/faq/>>.

From *The ARRL Letter*, No. 36, September 7, 2007

FIRST 1296 MHZ WAS

Al Ward, W5LUA, of Allen, Texas, is the first person to achieve the ARRL's Worked All States (WAS) on 1296 MHz, making him 1296 MHz WAS #1. Ward first started on his pursuit January 25, 1977, with his first 1296 MHz contact with Leroy May, W5HN (SK). His 30 year quest ended last week, with confirmed contacts with Wyoming, Utah and Idaho, giving Ward his last three needed states, thanks to Paul Perryman's, WA5WCP, EME DXpedition.

"I couldn't have done this without Paul," Ward said. "Also, thanks to Ron Roche, K0ALL, and Barry Malowanchuk, VE4MA, in North Dakota for number 47 in August. Without them, it just wouldn't have been possible." After collecting his 50th QSL card, Ward drove from his home in Texas to Little Rock, Arkansas so ARRL President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, could verify his cards and complete his WAS paperwork. "Verifying QSL cards from 30 years of activity brought back a lot of memories of several stations active on 1296, many who are Silent Keys now," Harrison said.

From *The ARRL Letter*, No. 37, September 14, 2007

ARRL OBTAINS MARS CALL SIGN

The ARRL now has a new Emergency Communications tool in its toolbox -- MARS call sign AAN1ARL. According to W1AW Station Manager Joe Carcia, NJ1Q, "The call sign was requested to reflect both the holder of the license (ARRL) and the various MARS services (Army, Air Force and Navy)." The MARS station will be housed at W1AW, the Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station. ARRL Emergency Preparedness and Response Manager Dennis Dura, K2DCD, said, "The establishment of an ARMY MARS call sign for W1AW begins a relationship with the Military Affiliate Radio System and the ARRL. Our two organizations are working toward the near-term establishment of a Memorandum of Understanding. Additionally, the League and MARS will utilize each other's personnel and technical capabilities to further enhance our emergency preparedness and response capabilities."

The MARS program consists of licensed Amateur Radio operators who are interested in military communications on a local, national and international basis as an adjunct to normal communications. MARS has a long and proud history of providing worldwide auxiliary emergency communications during times of need. The combined three service MARS programs (Army, Air Force, and Navy-Marine Corps) volunteer force of more than 5000 dedicated and skilled Amateur Radio operators is the backbone of the MARS program. There are Army MARS stations in Japan, Korea, Hawaii, Panama, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Alaska, Central America, Africa, Germany and the continental United States. MARS responders operate on specially assigned military radio frequencies in voice, teletype and packet modes of communications.

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TRIBUTE TO WALTER CRONKITE

The Radio Club of America has chosen Walter Cronkite, KB2BSD to receive their Armstrong Medal. This led Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF to write the following tribute:

It never fails to amaze me that among those who understand the magnitude of Walter Cronkite's contributions to ham radio there is always a truly

unknowledgeable but highly vocal minority who will always find a way to kick a proverbial gift horse in the mouth. And once again, this appears to be the situation here with a small number of you.

So what is Walter Cronkite's way of supporting ham radio? Well he's not a DXer. He's not into contesting. He does not own or even operate on a repeater. In fact, he's hardly been on the air. But just by being a radio amateur and in lending his name in support he brings to it a level of trust and support of ham radio that it would not otherwise be able to garner. And he has done it not just once but on several occasions -- beginning back in the late 1970s. That's long before he ever considered becoming a ham.

If you live outside the metro NYC area, you likely have never heard of the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club -- LIMARC. Its one of the oldest clubs in that area and in the late 1970s it helped create and distribute a local radio show titled "The wide world of amateur Radio." Steve Mendelsohn, then WA2DHF (now W2ML) was the shows Producer and frequent host. The other regular voice heard on that program, doing the weekly open and close was Walter Cronkite. And while he can get thousands of dollars for doing this kind of an announcement, he provided those custom opens and closes at no cost to LIMARC. And I would say that is a pretty good way of saying "...I support ham radio..."

Now let's fast forward to just after 911. Ham radio is on the front page of almost every newspaper in the nation and the lead story on many if not all of the nation's newscasts. All normal communications in and around what was the World Trade Center is gone. Every radio relay service for that area is in ruins. The "new" digital police radio systems cannot talk more than a few blocks in the canyons of lower Manhattan. The city has no back up plan because a disaster of this magnitude has never been imagined. But in a wink of an eye, in come hams equipped with portable repeaters, remote base and other gear to fill the gap for the crucial few days after 911 giving the city and the commercial communications services a chance to get at least temporary lines of communications installed. And suddenly hams are the nation's heroes!

Without going into a lot of minutia, about a year later the ARRL asks Dave Bell, W6AQ, if he would

take on producing a short video regarding ham radios service during 911 and in other then current disasters for showing to members of Congress and to the White House. If you do not know who Dave Bell is or about his long career as a Hollywood producer.director, check him out at www.imdb.com. I think you will be pleasantly surprised.

Dave in turn enlists two other hams to work with him as co-producers: The late Alan Kaul, W6RCL, and this scribe. By way of background, Al was a West Coast Producer of NBC Nightly News until his passing last December. Outside the world of ham radio, I am with Fox Television and have been with that organization since its days as Metromedia / Metrotape West. And over the years (starting in 1973) the three of us plus the late Roy Neal, K6DUE, have been associated with just about every U.S. made film or video about the hobby. Not always all of us always working together, but the lineage can be seen in the credits of all major productions the past 34 years.

From our first production meeting in mid-2002 we knew that the show that we would eventually title "Amateur Radio Today" had to be narrated by someone like Walter Cronkite. It just would not work otherwise. And when Alan sat down to write the initial draft outline, it was with a person like Walter Cronkite in mind. Once we read Alan's first draft, it was clear to all three of us that it really was a narrative that only Walter Cronkite could properly deliver. So we decided to see if he was willing to be our host.

Thanks to the good offices of Dr. Bill Baker, W1BKR, President of WNET 13 New York, lines of communications to Walter Cronkite were opened and it was not very long before Dave found himself and his camera headed to New York to tape the narrative and the on-camera open, close and scene to bridges with Walter.

Amateur Radio Today reached it target audience and much more. It at least in part was responsible for the role of ham radio in the days immediately after 911 being recorded for posterity in the Congressional Record. It has since then become an important tool in convincing local and state governments of the importance to support Amateur Radio as a vital back-up in case disaster takes out all other means of communications. Many communities that embraced ham radio credit

"Amateur Radio Today" and the words there-in spoken by Walter Cronkite as their primary reason for lending support to ham radio. After all, if the "most trusted voice in America" says ham radio is good, then it has to be good. In the past year it has become the most viewed ham radio presentation on the YouTube.com video website. (The video can be viewed on YouTube at this link: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Z9136_Nhh4)

In April 2004, I am attending the National Association of Broadcasters Convention where I run into then ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP. Jim asks how long it would it take to make an educational video to inform all hams about the perils of BPL. A quick cell phone call to Dave and another to Al from the convention floor solidifies that we will take the project on.

Again, Alan writes a script that we all know from the get-go requires the talent of Walter Cronkite. The big question in our minds is would he be willing? Yes he is and again Dave and his camera head to NYC. About 13 months later, "The ARRL Goes To Washington" makes its world premiere at an ARRL-hosted gathering in conjunction with the Dayton Hamvention. It quickly becomes the definitive rallying point for ham radio's opposition to BPL.

Since 2002, Walter Cronkite has twice lent his voice and image to issues crucial to ham radio. He did it because he recognized the importance of the hobby to society. And in both cases, he did it free of charge (as did Dave, Al and myself).

What Walter Cronkite, KB2GSD, has done for ham radio, no other person on Earth could have possibly done. He said to the world (paraphrased) - ham radio is important and well worth your supporting it. For you or I to say this is of import to a limited number of people. For Walter Cronkite to embrace and support the hobby is something else. After all, to this day he remains the most trusted person in America. And having him verbally and pictorially support Amateur Radio is worth far more than any DX contact or contest score. Simply stated, there was and is no price one can place on the support that Walter Cronkite in aligning his name and call with Amateur Radio means to the hobby. It's priceless!

de Bill, WA6ITF

OCTOBER PUBLIC SERVICE EVENTS

The last two public service events of the year are the Juvenile Diabetes at the Columns in Avon and the Red Bank CROP Walk.

The Juvenile Diabetes is on Oct. 7, 2007. Set up is targeted for 0900, but if you're down range, just be technically checked out and into the net by 1000. Volunteer needs (one or two to spare is a blessing!) are at Stop One, 10th Ave. & Boardwalk, Belmar, and Stop Two, 20th & Boardwalk, Belmar. A runner at the Columns with N2VFK would be nice!

Then, two Sunday's later (21 Oct 2007) it's the Red Bank area CROP Walk from Red Bank Regional HS (Harding and Ridge Roads) in Little Silver. The CROP Walk starts at 1330 so try to be there by 1245. Net Control will be N2VFK at Red Bank Regional HS. We need to staff 5 other rest stops and 2-3 vehicles.

PHOTO TOUR OF WWV

Tri County Radio Association (W2LI/R) will host Tom Ray (W2TRR), VP Engineering WOR Radio/Buckley Broadcasting at its Monday October 15th meeting at 8:00 p.m. Tom is one of the broadcasting industry's most highly respected engineers and is considered the leading promoter of the IBOC (In Band On Channel) digital radio technology which can now be heard on WOR-710 radio in addition to many other am and fm broadcast stations.

Tom's presentation will be a photographic tour of the WWV time and standards radio station of the National Bureau of Standards in Fort Collins, Colorado. This will be a very enlightening and entertaining evening. All hams are invited to attend. The TCRA meets in B.P.O. Elks Lodge on Chestnut Street, Union, New Jersey. For information see www.w2li.org, listen to the W2LI repeaters on 449.975 and 147.225 or e-mail "Pete" at W2NJU@msn.com

OMARC HAMFEST OCTOBER 6

Don't forget the OMARC Hamfest coming up on Saturday, October 6. This is at the Diana site on Marconi Road in Wall. Sellers at 6 AM and buyers at 7 AM. The charge to get in is \$3 per carload so bring your friends.

AREA AMATEUR EXAM SESSIONS

Amateur radio exam sessions that are given in the central New Jersey area are as follows but please contact the responsible person to be sure that the time and date are accurate.

Wall Township, Camp Evans Area on Marconi Road: Exams are held on the first Saturday of the even numbered months (October 6, 2007) at 10 AM. The contact person is Pat Brannick, N2BZD at 732-267-0308 or e-mail to pbrannick@aol.com.

Middletown, Croyden Hall on Leonardo Road: Exams are on the second Tuesday of every month at 7 PM. The contact person is Mario Sellitti, N2PVP 732-787-7184 or e-mail to n2pvp@n2pvp.com.

Toms River, Riverview Park Recreation Building: Exams are held on the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM. The contact person is Ed Genoino, WA2NDA at 609-971-2792 or e-mail to wa2nda@aol.com.

Toms River, Holiday City South Clubhouse, Meeting Room #1, Mule Road at the corner of Santiago Drive on the second Saturday of the odd numbered months (November 10, 2007) at 10:00 AM. Pre-registration is required (no walk ins). The contact person is Bill Haldane, AC2F, 732-240-7064 or ac2f@earthlink.net.

In all cases, the fee is \$14 and you should bring the original and a copy of any amateur license presently held and original and one copy of any credit (CSCE) forms you have. Also bring 2 forms of ID with one being a picture ID.

MIDDLETOWN CLUB MEETING TIME

The Middletown Amateur Radio Club meets on the second Saturday of each month at 10 AM at the Union Beach Police Department Annex (Municipal Building) on Poole Avenue. Many also meet for lunch at noon on Saturdays on Highway 35 at either Wendy's (just south of Sears) or Burger King (south of King's Highway) in Middletown. Check the Middletown repeater on Saturday morning to verify which location.

HUDSON DIVISION HOME PAGE

<http://www.hudson.arrl.org>

NOTES ON CALENDAR (see reverse side)

Large call letters denote birthdays e.g., **N2KQ** October 4. All times in EDT.

October 1 - **Monmouth County ARES Net** meets on 147.045 +600 at 7:30 PM.

October 1 – **W1AW Qualifying Run** at 10 PM (10-35 wpm). See October QST, pp. 88 and 90.

October 2 – **Middletown Pancake House Luncheon** at noon in back room to left. All are invited.

October 2 – **Old Barney ARC Meeting**, 7:30 PM at Ocean Acres Community Center in Manahawkin, NJ. See <http://www.obarc.org>

October 2 and every following Tuesday – **QCWA News Net** on 147.045 PL=67 at 9:00 PM.

October 3 – **GSARA Monthly Meeting** at Ft. Monmouth MARS station at 8 PM.

October 3 – **432 MHz Fall Sprint**, all modes from 7 to 11 PM. See September QST, p. 90 or www.svhfs.org.

October 4 – **Holiday City ARC meeting** at 7 PM at Holiday City South Clubhouse in Toms River.

October 5 and every Friday – **Lunch at Blue Swan Diner**, Rt. 35 South, Ocean Township at noon.

October 5-6 – **PSK Rumble** from 8 PM Friday to 8 PM Saturday. See Oct. QST, p. 90 or www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_rumble_rules.html

October 6 – **OMARC Hamfest** at the Diana Site on Marconi Road in Wall.

October 6 – **OMARC VE Session** at 10 AM at Diana Site on Marconi Road.

October 7 – **Juvenile Diabetes Walk** in Avon & Belmar from 9 AM to about 1 PM. If you can help, contact Tom Cosgrove, N2VFK at n2vfk@verizon.net.

October 7 and every Sunday – **InfoAge Marconi Hotel** open from 1 to 4 PM on Marconi Road in Wall. Exhibits by QCWA, OMARC, Antique Radio, Broadcaster's Hall of Fame, etc. \$5 donation requested.

October 8 – **Monmouth County RACES** on 147.045 +600 at 7:30 PM. RACES members only.

October 8 – **VE Test Session** at Croyden Hall, Leonardo section of Middletown at 7:00 PM. For more information, contact Mario Sellitti, N2PVP at 732-787-7184 or n2pvp@n2pvp.com

October 9-10 – **10-10 Day Sprint** from 8:01 Tuesday to 7:59 PM Wednesday. See www.ten-ten.org or Oct. QST, p. 90.

October 11 – **Jersey Shore Amateur Radio Society (JSARS)** meeting in Riverview Park Recreation Building, Rt. 527 and Riverwood Drive in Toms River at 7:30 PM.

October 13 – **OMARC Meeting**, 9:00 AM at the Diana Site on Marconi Road, Wall, NJ.

October 13 – **Middletown Amateur Radio Club meeting** at 10 AM in Union Beach Police Annex (Municipal Building) on Poole Avenue.

October 13 – **FISTS Fall Sprint**, CW from 1 PM to 5 PM. See Oct. QST, p. 90 or www.fists.org.

October 17 – **W1AW Qualifying Run** at 4 PM (10-35 wpm). See October QST, pp. 88 and 90.

October 18 – **JSARS VE Test Session** at 7:30 PM Riverview Park Recreation Bldg., Rt. 527 and Riverwood Drive in Toms River. Contact Ed Genoio, WA2NDA at 609-971-2792 or wa2nda@comcast.net.

October 20 – **50 MHz Fall Sprint**, all modes from 7 to 11 PM. See September QST, p. 91 or www.svhfs.org.

October 21 – **CROP Walk in Red Bank** from 1 PM to about 5 PM. If you can help, contact Tom, N2VFK at n2vfk@verizon.net.

October 22 – **North American DX Association Meeting** at Cobblestone Diner at 7:30 PM (6 PM to eat).

Oct. 26-28 – **CQ WW DX Contest**, SSB from 8 PM Friday to 8 PM Sunday. See www.cqww.com or Oct. QST, p. 91.

Oct. 26-28 – **10-10 International CW Contest** from 8:01 PM Friday to 7:59 PM Sunday. See www.ten-ten.org or Oct. QST, p. 91.

October 27 – **Neptune Amateur Radio Club Meeting** at 9 AM at the Bedrock Café, Avon.

October 29 – **Monmouth County RACES** on 147.045 +600 at 7:30 PM. RACES members only.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Peggy Struening ARES/RACES 7:30 CW Qual. Run	2 Pancake House Old Barney ARC QCWA News 9 PM	3 432 Sprint GSARA Mtg	4 N2KQ WB2QMP Hol. City Mtg.	5 Blue Swan PSK Rumble	6 N2WAY OMARC Hmfst OMARC VE PSK Rumble
7 Juv. Diabetes InfoAge	8 RACES Net 7:30	9 Croyden VE 7 PM 10-10 Sprint QCWA News 9 PM	10 10-10 Sprint	11 JSARS Mtg.	12 Blue Swan	OMARC Mtg. 13 MARC Mtg FISTS Sprint
14 InfoAge	15 ARES/RACES 7:30	16 QCWA News 9 PM	17 CW Qual. Run	18 JSARS VE	19 WB2KNS Blue Swan	20 50 MHz Sprint
21 CROP Walk InfoAge	22 NADXA Mtg. ARES/RACES 7:30	23 QCWA News 9 PM	24	25	26 Blue Swan CQ WW DX SSB 10-10 CW	Neptune Mtg 27 CQ WW DX SSB 10-10 CW
28 InfoAge CQ WW DX SSB 10-10 CW	29 RACES Net 7:30	30	31			



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