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### The W4GWD Repeater Network

147.165+ t107.2

Echolink: 584003

443.900+ t107.2

#### W4DEW/R

146.910- t123.0

#### W4GWM/R

145.420- DV

## Digital Update

D-Star is up, and regularly connected to Reflector 30C.

Echolink is up.

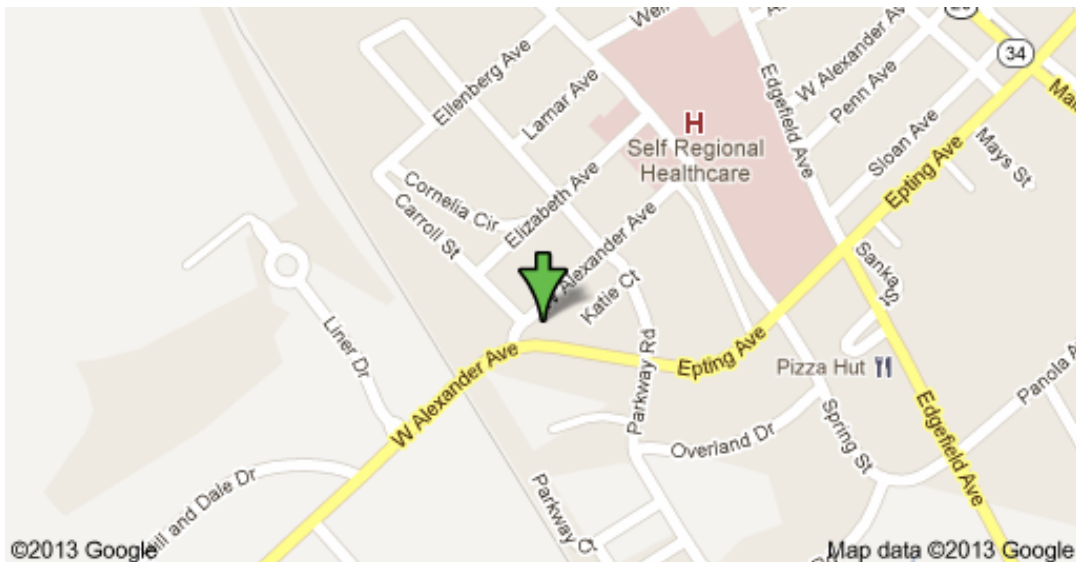
APRS iGate is up

Downtown Digi coming soon.

WJ4X-7 Packet Node is up and connected to the Carolinas Packet System.

## January Meeting

This month's meeting will be January 18th. The Greenwood Amateur Radio Society now meets at the American Red Cross building, 520 Epting Ave. Greenwood, SC. Please join us at 7 for light refreshments. The meeting starts at 7:30 sharp.





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## Society Events:

### Chat 'N' Chew

Every Friday at 11:30am the members of the Greenwood Amateur Radio society meet at **Ryan's**, Bypass 25 NW, Greenwood.

Everyone is welcome to have lunch or sip your favorite beverage and chat for a while.

**(Dutch treat).**

### VE Exam Session

VE Exam Sessions are on hiatus due to the Red Cross relocation

### Weekly Net

Each Thursday night at 9pm on the 147.165+ machine, The Greenwood Amateur Radio Society holds our weekly 2 meter net. Our UHF net on 443.900+ is held Mondays at 8pm

Help spread the word for everyone to check-in to our net. If you would like to fill in or be a backup net control please contact Tedd Davison AI4WN@arrl.net

## Congratulations

### Happy Birthday!

Joe Suddeth	KK4RVC	Jan 4
Buddy Willis	W4DEW	Jan 7
Kin Maffett	KJ4BAK	Jan 13
Tyrone Sullivan	KJ4FWM	Jan 13
Gail Davison		Jan 21
David McCall	W4MCC	Feb 20
Ron Miller	KJ4OBY	Feb 21

### Happy Anniversary!

Tommy and Angela Owens
Jan 8
Kevan and Elizabeth Nason
Feb 14
Buddy and Theaster Willis
Feb 25

### Phil's Corner:

#### Hamisms #4184

Support your local and regional Amateur Radio Clubs.

**Are you an ARRL Member? Joining ARRL helps protect our rights as Amateur Radio Operators as well as providing education, QSL Bureau, technical advise, and the ARRL VEC. <http://www.arrl.org>**



## SC QSO Party

The 2016 South Carolina QSO Party will be held on February 27th at 1400z through February 28th @ 0059z. The "Carolinas Weekend" will include the SCQP on Saturday and the NCQP on Sunday. This weekend will offer the unique opportunity for party attendees to possibly work 146 Carolina counties during a single weekend. This weekend will also give mobile operators the opportunity to "run" counties in both neighboring states.

[PLEASE R.S.V.P.! – CLICK HERE](#)

Please click the RSVP link above to let us know if you will be coming to our QSO Party!

Please visit [www.scqso.com](http://www.scqso.com) for all the details.

## Special Hunley Challenge

This special award was created for the 2016 SCQP to commemorate the mission of the *H.L. Hunley* submarine against the federal blockade ship *USS Housatonic* off the coast of Charleston, SC on February 17, 1864. The H.L. Hunley was the first submarine to sink an enemy ship. **Objective:** Awarded to stations spelling "HUNLEY" during the 2016 South Carolina QSO Party by contacting at least **ONE** amateur radio operator located in counties which begin with these letters.

Qualifying counties:

H – Hampton Horry U – Union N – Newberry L – Lancaster Laurens Lee Lexington E – Edgefield Y – York

Those who complete this challenge will receive a commemorative certificate via email.

**Wildcard Station – N4HLH** N4HLH will be a "Wildcard" station. Valid contacts with N4HLH may be used as a "wildcard" contacts for **TWO** of the required letter counties. You may only work this station ONCE per MODE per BAND. Example: You make valid contacts with stations located in Horry, Union, Newberry and Lancaster counties, but you didn't work any stations in Edgefield and York counties. You made two valid contacts with N4HLH. You can use the two valid contacts you made with N4HLH for your "E" and "Y" counties to qualify for the special award.

**How to submit your "HUNLEY CHALLENGE" Award Application** 1. Go to <http://scqso.com> 2. Click on "Hunley Challenge Award" main menu item 3. Click on "HUNLEY CHALLENGE Award Application" link 4. Complete the application form AND upload your SCQP Cabrillo log 5. Click "Submit Application" button. All done ***You will receive a confirmation via email. If you do not receive a confirmation or if you have any questions about the application process, please email Dave Edmonds, WN4AFP at [dave@pkministrywebs.com](mailto:dave@pkministrywebs.com).***

*Stations who qualify for this award will be listed on [www.scqso.com](http://www.scqso.com). Submissions for this award must be submitted via our website within 30 days of the SCQP. There is no charge for this award.*

**The Trident Amateur Radio Club participates in the Commemorative Special Event Station N4HLH on every February 17th and offers a unique certificate and/or QSL card confirming QSO.**

**For more information about the H.L. Hunley visit their web page at <http://hunley.org>**

# HAMFESTS and EVENTS:

Mark your Calendars! Greenwood Amateur Radio Society Hamfest at Piedmont Technical College January 2017

**05/07/2016** *Blue Ridge ARS Hamfest* Piedmont Interstate Fairgrounds 575 Fairgrounds Rd. Spartanburg, SC 29301 <http://brars.org> Blue Ridge ARS Talk In: 146.610- (No PL) Contact: Robert Webster WR8RW 864-663-9792 [wr8rw@mail.com](mailto:wr8rw@mail.com)

**09/03-04/2016** *Shelby Hamfest* Cleveland County Fairgrounds 1751 East Marion Street Shelby, NC 28150 <http://shelbyhamfest.org> Shelby Amateur Radio Club Talk-In: 146.88 (no pl) Contact: Ben Melvin, KM4C 704-477-1813 [km4c@me.com](mailto:km4c@me.com)

## Greenwood Amateur Radio Society Meeting Refreshments List:

### 2015

January 2016: Teddy  
February 2016: Buddy  
March 2016: Open  
April 2016: Open  
May 2016: Buddy  
June 2016: Open  
July 2016: Open  
August 2016: Open  
September 2016: Open

Let's fill those open slots!

Send an email to [adam@wj4x.net](mailto:adam@wj4x.net) to reserve your spot!

We will ask for volunteers for the refreshments list over the next few weeks, so be thinking of what month you'd like to volunteer!

### Packet Cluster:

- ◆ The American Radio Relay League protects our rights as Amateur Radio Operators <http://www.arrl.org>
- ◆ Support for SERA supports proper coordination! <http://www.sera.org>
- ◆ Remember your local and regional interest clubs!
- ◆ Southeast DX Club <http://www.sedxc.org>
- ◆ Spread The Word! 147.165 Net Thurs. 9pm
- ◆ Callsign info <http://www.ae7q.com>
- ◆ Track us on APRS: <http://aprs.fi>

### Classifieds:



**2 Meter Magnet Mount whip. Would like to trade for a dual band handheld antenna. Contact Stephen Lyda [stephenlyda@yahoo.com](mailto:stephenlyda@yahoo.com)**

If anyone has any Ham radio stuff to sell or trade... list it in this column by calling Buddy, [w4dew@arrl.net](mailto:w4dew@arrl.net), 864-445-7574

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