

## G.A.R.S. MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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January Meeting

Monday, January 17, 2005, at 7:30pm, at The Turner House on Bailey Circle, Greenwood, S.C.

All members and anyone that is a Amateur Radio Operator or interested in learning how to become one is invited to the monthly meetings, to learn more about the world of Ham Radio and it's vital importance to communications during emergency situations.

The GARS is now affiliated with ARRL. One of the benefits is that a club member who joins ARRL for the first time or who has allowed their membership to lapse for more than two years can join ARRL and the club can retain \$15.00 of their dues. Contact the club treasurer.

Also, CLUB DUES are due this month, no later than March 31, 2005. The dues can be paid at the monthly meeting or mailed to Greenwood Amateur Radio Society, P.O. Box 2404, Greenwood, S.C. 29646.

Remember The Turner House Food Drive, bring a can of nonperishable food to the next meeting.

See you at the next meeting.

G.A.R.S. NET

Please support our weekly net on Thursday nights with Ms. Alice, KC4JWM, calling it at 9pm, on 147.165+. She is doing a great job and check-ins have already increased since the range of the repeater has improved. Let us all help, invite a friend to check in and do not forget to check yourself in.

LAST MONTH

Last months meeting was combined with the weekly Chat n' Chew. Twelve attended and the Hamfest was the topic of the hour.

It is always a great pleasure to have new members in our club. We welcome 5 new members, Jason and Denna Manning, Joann Savage, Elaine Dukes-KA4PLU and Carlis Myers-KG4RIT. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

"CHAT N' CHEW"

Every Friday at 11:30am to 1pm at George's Family Steak House, 713 Bypass 25NE, Greenwood, 225-2707, a group meets to chat and chew. Everyone is welcome to join. It is dutch treat. You can eat lunch or sip your favorite beverage and chat for a while. Come on in and see who might show up and join in the fun.

HAMFEST 2005

Saturday January 8, 2005 Greenwood County had Amateur Radio Operators and Vendors from 7 states, SC, FL, AL, NC, GA, TN, WV for a Hamfest at the Civic Center.

Hamfest Chairman Buddy Willis (W4DEW) and Co-Chairperson Alice Taylor (KC4JWM) would like to thank all the GARS club members for there hard work and the fine job they all done in one of the best Hamfest Greenwood has had in several years. We are looking forward to next year Saturday January 14, 2006 for a even bigger and better one.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

If anyone, has anything that they would like to put in the newsletter please contact me by phone 864-682-7374 or E-mail [kf4bvk@backroads.net](mailto:kf4bvk@backroads.net). If you know of anyone being sick, at home or in the hospital, or a death in the family, a birth in the family, please let me know so we can mention them in our newsletter.

If you have anything that is ham related, that you would like to sell, swap or trade, I will be glad to put it in there also, just keep it brief.

Newsletter deadline February 11.

If you haven't gave me you anniversary dates please get them to me.

January Birthdays

We wish each of you a very Happy Birthday.

Jason Manning Jan.21

Buddy Willis Jan 7

If I have missed any ones birthday please bear with me I am trying to get every ones on my list.