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April MEETING

G.A.R.S. will meet Monday, April 16, 2007, at The Turner House on Bailey Circle, Greenwood, 7 pm for light refreshments and 7:30 pm for the meeting.

Mark your Calendar!!

The club will sponsor a Hamfest dinner for all club members 6:30 PM, Thursday April 19, 2007 at Ocean Bay Seafood Restaurant, 1827 Bypass 72 NE Greenwood, SC.

The club will pay for all GARS members so let's come out and enjoy the good food and fellowship.

The Greenwood March of Dimes

The March of Dimes walk will be Saturday April 28. The walk starts and ends at Lander, same as last year.

They have asked for the GARS club assistance again this year. We will need ten operators with hand held radios.

Members will meet at Lander about 7:30 AM. See Earl KC4AXY if you can help.

Club Members, you will find attached with this newsletter a update on paid members for 2007. Please check your information, if not correct or your name is not on list get in contact with Betty Ann KF4BVK or Harvey WB4KXE.

The GARS Web page is up and running Jeremy KI4CCZ has updated the page and has added pictures from the 2007 Hamfest.

Go to www.w4gwd.org and take a look. You can find this newsletter on the web sight each month also.

The club meetings are now listed in the Index Journal on page 2A each month under "Community Calendar".

UP COMING HAMFEST

April 14, 2007
Anderson ARC Hamfest
<http://www.andersonradioclub.us>
Talk-In: 146.79

April 21, 2007
Catawba Valley Hamfest Marion
Amateur Radio Association
<http://www.cvhamfest.com>

April 27 & 28, 2007
Southeastern VHF Society Conference
Southeastern VHF Society
<http://www.svhfs.org>

May 5, 2007
South Carolina Section Convention
(Upstate Hamfest and Computer Show) Blue Ridge Amateur Radio Society
<http://www.upstatehamfest.org>

12 Jan 2008 + Greenwood ARS
Greenwood Civic Center 1610
Highway 72 East
<http://www.w4gwd.org>

CHAT N' CHEW

Every Friday at 11:30 am to 1 pm at George's Family Steak House, 713 Bypass 25NE, Greenwood, 223-2707, a group meets to have lunch or sip your favorite beverage and chat for a while, (**Dutch treat**). Everyone is welcome to join.

WEEKLY NET

Every Thursday night at 9pm on 147.165+, Ms. Betty Ann holds the weekly, Greenwood Amateur Radio Society Net.

Tell everyone that you see and talk to come by and check in with her. She is doing a great job.

Who's the Typical Ham?

Amateur Radio operators come from all walks of life -- movie stars, missionaries, doctors, students, politicians, truck drivers and just plain folks. They are all ages, sexes,

income levels and nationalities. But whether they prefer Morse code on an old brass telegraph key through a low-power transmitter, voice communication on a hand-held radio or computer messages transmitted through satellites, they all have an interest in what's happening in the world, and they use radio to reach out.

Why a License?

Although the main purpose of Amateur Radio is fun, it is called the "Amateur Radio Service" because it also has a serious face. The FCC created this "Service" to fill the need for a pool of experts who could provide backup emergency communications. In addition, the FCC acknowledged the ability of the hobby to advance the communication and technical skills of radio, and to enhance international goodwill. This philosophy has paid off. Countless lives have been saved where skilled hobbyists act as emergency communicators to render aid, whether it's during an earthquake in Italy or a hurricane in the U.S.

HURRICANE'S

Hurricane Preparedness Week is May 20 – May 26. The hurricane season begins June 1 to November 30. To read about this year's hurricanes

go to www.hurricanes.noaa.gov/ or www.noaa.gov/. You will find all the hurricane names for the year 2007 to 2011 on this web sight.

You can find information at the same web sight about tornados, April, May and June is tornado season.

CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday April
April 12 Jimmie Dean Hill
April 24 Jewell Mimms

Happy Anniversary's April
None

Happy Birthday May
May 9 Alice Taylor KC4JWM
May 10 Joyce Shattuck N2PTW
May 11 Tammy Gosnell KG4LEW
May 13 Joanne Savage

Happy Anniversary's May
May 20 Dave KL7FO and Marge Zugsberger

CLASSIFIED

For sale two free standing towers
One 38 foot, and one 40 foot tower
already down make a reasonable offer
and I will help you load them up or
delivery to your location.

Also two HF beams one Crushcraft A-3S 20/15/10 meter and one Mosley

TA-33 20/15/10 meter already down
make a reasonable offer.
Call or e-mail Buddy Willis W4DEW
W4dew@arrl.net 864-554-3543

If anyone has anything they would like to sell or trade, that is Ham radio related, and wants to place it in this column, call me at 864-682-7374 or E-mail kf4bvk@backroads.net.

OTHER NEWS

Some of the club members have been sick at home and some has been in the hospital. Phil Henry WW4I and Paul Savage KA4OPC both have had surgery, we wish them a speedy recovery.

Some other Ham friends also had surgery George W4GWM Merchant of Joanna and Homer K4CGS Cox of Anderson. We wish them a speedy recovery also.

I hope that I haven't missed anyone.

Newsletter Deadline

May 11, 2007