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**Amateur Radio Technician Class License Course**

 Raleigh Amateur Radio Society

Announcement Date: March 12, 2014

**When:**  A three session course will be conducted: March 29, April 5 and April 12.

**Where:** The course will be conducted in Raleigh (location, directions and parking arrangements will be e-mailed to pre-registrants). There is handicapped access.

**Sessions:** The sessions will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end around 12:30 p.m. The **First Session** is Orientation which will include registration and basic information. The **Second Session** will be the first five chapters of the manual and the **Third Session** will cover the remainder of the chapters. This will be the **last** Technician course conduct by RARS before the ARRL manual and FCC test pool expire on June 30. A General course has been scheduled tentatively for April.

**Children/youth:** We highly encourage the participation of children and youth especially as a means to acquaint them with science and technology (i.e., STEM). It is recommended that the child be at least 13 (7th grade). It is a struggle for children of younger ages, although we have seen them pass the test. Parents are encouraged to attend the sessions with their children.

**Volunteer Instructor:** Mike Murphy, WA4BPJ, has an Extra Class license and has been teaching since the 1970s and has conducted as many as 60 courses. In addition to this course, he also teaches the General and Extra courses.

**Fee:** The fee is $10.00 to be paid in advance.

**Course Text:** The required manual is the current **ARRL Ham Radio License Manual – Technician, 2nd Edition**. It sometimes can be found at Barnes & Noble for about $30.00 and on Amazon for less.

**Examination:** An **optional** examination is scheduled for the afternoon of the third session. You are **not** required to take the test then and other examination sessions will be held periodically by RARS and other clubs in the area. There is a separate fee of $14.00.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. **Pre-register** by emailing me that you would like to take the course and **your phone number** so I can let you know of any last minute changes.

2. Bring pen and paper for note taking.

3. You are probably on a contact list. E-mail me if you would like to be deleted from the list.

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