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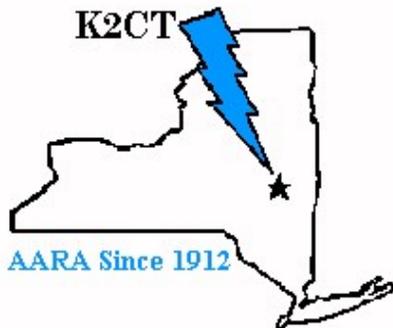
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AARA

Meets at the
Colonie Community Center
1653 Central Ave.
Colonie

Friday Oct. 13

Social Hour 6:45 PM
Meeting 7:45 PM

Refreshments
cookies. soda. diet soda. coffee

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Oct Meeting

Fred Lass, K2TR will speak to us about Doppler radar. What's that antenna pictured to the right. What might be inside the dome.

Also, Sergeant O'Mara and Sergeant Romack will be on hand for the a pep talk on the Halloween Pumpkin Patrol Oct 30 and 31 (Mon. and Tues.) See Laurie, N2OSB to sign up. (page3)



**K2CT repeater
Talk-in repeater 145.19 (-) MHz
pl tone 107.2hz
or 146.67 (-) MHz pl tone 127.3Hz**

Hudson Division Vice-Director Candidate OPEN LETTER

I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to those members of the club who I didn't get the chance to meet when Director Fallon and I visited at the September meeting. I've always enjoyed coming up to Albany as I have many friends in the club due to my association with the Yankee Clipper Contest Club and the fact that many AARA members belong to that club as well.

As most of you no doubt know, I'm running for re-election as the Vice-Director of the Hudson Division. I've been privileged to represent the amateurs in the division for the last four years, and would like your vote in order to continue to do so.

I've been working very hard on several issues of major importance to the ham community, both at home in the division, and on a national level working closely with ARRL President Haynie on several board committees.

I am pleased to have joined Frank in spearheading the committee to obtain amateur tower-height relief legislation in New York State. This is an issue of enormous importance, and one in which I have personal experience, having been forced to sue my town after being denied a tower permit. The legal battle with my town took two years and cost me \$20,000 in legal fees. I can't accept that any other ham should have to do the same thing because local zoning boards choose to ignore PRB-1. With the aid of many hams in the capital district, we introduced an antenna height bill in the state Assembly and Senate. Unfortunately, the legislature closed for the year before we were able to get it passed. Rest assured that I will be hard at work with the rest of the team in getting this crucial piece of legislation re-introduced this coming year.

For two years, I've been appointed to be the board's liaison to the Public Relations Committee whose purpose is furthering nationwide efforts to raise public awareness of amateur radio through the media. Recently, I've been selected to be on the new Spectrum Strategy Committee. This committee is tasked

with identifying RF emitters using amateur frequencies and determining their potential for creating harmful interference to amateur operations in the U.S. and its possessions and to develop both short-term and long-term strategies for mitigating such interference. We'll be paying particular attention to Part 15 devices operating above 30 MHz, such as emerging wireless LAN technologies. In this position, my professional experience in the field of computer networking will be most helpful.

I've been a licensed ham since the age of 15...still one year short of being able to drive a car, the FCC granted me the right to travel the world via the airwaves. I am very active on the air, and presently count DX'ing and contesting among my favorite activities. Field Day is one of my favorite on the air events, and I've been very impressed with the K2CT efforts I've visited. I hold 5 band DXCC and a DXCC honor roll plaque. I have many years of practical knowledge constructing antennas and towers and have helped many local hams with their installations. My public service activities include serving on site at the TWA 800 air disaster.

Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, is quite vocal in his support of my candidacy, and I thank him for that. He is doing this because he knows I'm the right person to help him deal with the issues facing amateur radio today. We have become quite an effective team, working together to address issues of importance to hams throughout the division. I also have the support of former Directors Richard Sandell, WK6R, and Stan Zak, K2SJO. I hope I can count on yours in the upcoming election too.

Please visit my web page at <http://www.ezoom.net/w2xx/> to learn more.

73, J.P. Kleinhaus, W2XX

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**Hudson Division Vice-Director Candidate
OPEN LETTER**

Dear Fellow ARRL Member,

I'd like to take a moment of your time to talk about the upcoming election for Hudson Division Vice Director. For 17 years it has been my honor to serve Hudson Division members on the ARRL Board. I seek your vote to help me continue that representation.

Serving as Vice Director, Director and then First Vice President, I have taken Hudson Division concepts and worked to make them ARRL policy and to make YOUR hobby more enjoyable through innovative League programs.

Family obligations kept me from continuing to serve earlier this year. I can now return to that which I enjoy most, serving the members and working to make your voice heard at the highest levels of ARRL on critical issues.

Providing service to ARRL members and protecting our frequencies are the League's prime concerns. I've worked hard to see that the member continues to be represented and our frequencies are not taken by commercial interests.

As Hudson Division Director I traveled to 75 clubs and flea markets each year to bring ARRL news directly to YOU the member. I instituted division-wide surveys on important issues, a Division speaker's bureau to support local clubs and the Hudson Division Education Task Force which wrote the first curriculum on Amateur Radio accepted into the New York City school system.

I helped re-write the New Jersey Scanner Law to keep law abiding hams from being arrested and having their equipment confiscated.

As Vice Director I will be visible and accessible to our members. I support Director Fallon's objectives for the Division. I will:

Continue to use every opportunity to get good publicity for Amateur Radio.

Fight CC&R deed restrictions that do not allow amateur radio antennas.

Work with clubs to bring Amateur Radio into our schools.

Work with clubs to recruit new Amateurs.

Remind people that Amateur Radio is fun.

I also enjoy the hobby as an active Amateur.

For 25 years I've been the Amateur Radio Communications Coordinator of the New York City Marathon. I enjoy DXing (275/256) have 5BWAS, enjoy contests and rag chewing. I own open 2 meter and 440MHz FM repeaters in New York City. I'm employed as a Senior Audio/Video Systems Engineer for ABC-TV.

The future demands someone with maturity, experience, and knowledge to bring Hudson Division concepts and the need for improved member services to the League Board. If elected I will strive to represent your wishes. I would appreciate your vote.

Thank you and 73.
Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML

Public Service:

Upcoming events:

October 30 & 31 (Monday & Tuesday): Pumpkin Patrol

Please contact me or see me at a meeting if you would like to work at any of these events. Remember, public service is a way of justifying our use of the spectrum!

Laurie M. Warner, AARA Public Service Chair
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AARA Web site

<http://www.qsl.net/k2ct>

ATVET SCHEDULE

Albany Troy Volunteer Examiner Team

This year the exams that are held on Saturday's will start at 10:30 AM. The Wednesday night schedules will start at 7:00 PM just as in the past.

For **ALL exam dates** the doors open 45 minutes prior to the starting times listed below. For those of you that missed last year's exams you'll find out that the parking lot next to the old Troy Armory is now gone!

You'll be best to go south on 15th Street just a bit further until you see a set of traffic lights that are in front of the Troy Armory & Robinson Swimming Pool. Take a right at the lights, then go in until your first right-hand turn and go straight in. You'll see that in goes in about 50 yards then you must turn right again. I think this parking lot will be a lot easier for all of you. Plus there is Handicapped Parking too!

If you need better directions just call me at or give me a shout on the 145.17 MHz / 444.225 MHz repeaters.

If any of you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any of the following addresses: ny2u@n2ty -- atvet@n2ty.org -- mrbill1953@aol.com

LOCATION: RPI CAMPUS
CII BUILDING -- ROOM 3051

OCTOBER 14 SAT 10:30 AM
Call before going Bill NY2U 273-9248

NOVEMBER 11 SAT 10:30 AM

SWAP SHOP

Send items to B-Plus editor, Mike, WD2AJS at wd2ajs@arrl.net or call 489-3110

Upcoming Events

Oct 28-29 CQ WW DX Contest phone
28-29 10-10 CW QSO Party

DEC 9 10 meter sprint rules in Nov B-Plus

The New AARA Roster Coming in
FEB 2001
ANY CHANGES in your personal info
by Jan 3 let us Know contact Bill, K2BX
at k2bx@arrl.net.



B-PLUS Nov. deadline is Oct. 28th

Are You Changing Your Address: Please contact Bill with your address corrections write to Bill Nettleton, K2BX 7 Frederick Pl., Troy, NY 12180 or e-mail at k2bx@arrl.net

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