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# THE BARN

## APRIL MEETING

The Beaumont Amateur Radio Club will hold this month's meeting, at 7:30 PM Monday, April 28, 2014 at North End Baptist Church, 5115 Eastex Freeway at Odom Road in Beaumont. This month's meeting program is a video on the "ARRL's 100 year centennial"



**Affiliated Club**

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## **WELCOME NEW HAMs!!**

### *INVITE A YOUNGSTER INTO AMATEUR RADIO*

#### **HAM HAPPENINGS"**

#### **Mother's March For Babies ... April 12, 2014**



#### **Richard .... KA5IQX**

**April 17, 2014**

Once again, "ham" operators provided communications for the annual "Mother's March for Babies", held on the campus of Lamar University. The number of runners, walkers, limpers and crawlers who participated has been announced .. and according to the organizers of the event, there were officially "oodles and scroodles" of people who completed the route.

There was also a different and somewhat conflicting report done by the "WeGuessEm" accounting and statistics firm, which ... after extensive data research .. published their official estimate of the number of participants as being ... "A Whole Bunch" of people. Keep in mind that the "Whole Bunch" rating is slightly higher than the "lots and lots" rating .. but is considered to be much, much higher than the "quite a few" category. Since these findings are official, it's important that we keep them in perspective. ( Margin of error on this study is plus or minus 63% )

After discussing the event with other "hams", we all agreed that one of the most challenging and difficult aspects of the entire day, was finding where in the cat-hairs we were supposed to be. Rich ( N5ALE ) and I were assigned to Water Stop 1 ... and he arrived on scene first. I kept driving in circles and asking police officers where the "water stops" were located ... and they didn't know either. I finally saw Rich .. way off yonder, at a canopy at the other end of a long walk-thru area between two dorm buildings. Since all roads, parking lots and buildings seemed to require some kind of permit, electronic gate pass or secret handshake .. I was just about to activate my truck's "hover mode" ... ( which allows me to float approximately 10 to 12 feet above the pavement ) ... in order to get to the canopy area where Rich was. But, as luck would have it, an officer came along, and allowed me to drive through the walk-thru area. So, after only a few short hours, I was finally there.

However ... when I pulled up to the canopy, it turned out that it was for an entirely different walking event, and had nothing at all to do with our assigned location. When I informed Rich that we had to move on, and continue the search for our Water Stop, he was not a happy camper. After all, he had gotten quite comfortable .. and had already fired up the barbecue grill and was snoozing in his lawn chair.

Anyway ... we finally found our spot .. just as the last three walkers were coming through. We were quite upset with ourselves for being so late, but as it turned out, those three folks were actually walking in the other event ( associated with the canopy area where we didn't belong ) .. so we were very pleased to realize that we had made it in time, and were on site and ready for action, before any of the walkers for our event had gotten to our station.

As the day progressed, there were several other volunteers from other organizations, who came up to us, asking where they were supposed to go. We explained to them that .. "This is our spot ... we found it ... and we're not giving it up". Once they fully understood, they wandered on, in a desperate quest to find "their spot" .. where-ever it might be. We wished them luck, and gave them a cup of water before they left.

Otherwise, things went well ... and the weather cooperated too. It's a fun event each year, and it gives us another chance to provide a service to the community, and to "Ham It Up". And by the way, let me put this to rest right now. There is absolutely no truth to the rumor that those of us working Water Station 1 were given two quarts of Blue Bell Butter Pecan ice cream. No truth at all. ( Actually it was two half-gallon cartons of Blue Bell Southern Blackberry Cobbler ice cream. )

**Richard .... KA5IQX**

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# CLUB NEWS:



**CLUB PATCHES FOR SALE \$5.00 each**

**WELCOME TO THE HOBBY AND CONGRATS TO OUR NEW HAMS**

**Our Club Net is on Thursday Evening at 8:00pm on 146.700, - offset, pl: 107.2**

**W5RIN EchoLink Available for Check In**

**The 146.760 and the 444.700 Machines are out for repair. Be back soon.**

**Next Beaumont Club Meeting is Monday, April 28, 2014 @ 7:30 pm**

## 2014 UPCOMING PUBLIC SERVICE EVENTS

April 26	Winnie Survive, WWII.5, Buffalo Wild Wing Wars
May 03	Texas ARES/RACES/MARS SET
May 04-05	Tour de Rouge
May 17	Don Allen Sports Day
June 07	Spindletop Spin
June 28-29	ARRL Field Day
August 22	Gusher- 5K Pleasure Island Causeway Run
September 06	Neches River Canoe Rally
TBA	CCA Kids Fishing Rodeo – Laporte
October 04	Beaumont Fire Family Fire Safety Fair
October 18,19 & 20	Scouting Jamboree on the Air
November 08	Gusher Pleasure Island Half Marathon
December 05-06	SkyWarn Recognition Day 6:00pm-6pm

## OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

May 03	Four States HamFest, Texarkana, TX
May 31	7290 Picnic, Beyersville/Taylor, TX
June 13	Ham-Com 2014, Plano, TX
July 12	Texas City HamFest 2014
August 01	Texas State Convention, Austin, TX
December 09	HAM Christmas Party – Brazos Cattle Company

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST ON SATURDAY MORNINGS FROM 7:00 am TILL at DAIRY QUEEN  
ON PHELAN BLVD & 23rd, BEAUMONT**

# EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Well the Technician Class is done and 7 new HAMS have come away with a license. My Thanks go out to all that helped make it happen and Congratulations to the new HAMS!!

The New Hams are:

- KG5BMW Suzanne Magee
- KG5BMX Kavan Mondy
- KG5BMY Roy Long
- KG5BMZ Daniel Andrus
- KG5BNA Ronald Rumfield
- KG5BNB Amber Geer Williams
- KG5BOI Carl Hicks

Upgrade:

- K5DDM Dave McGilbery - Extra

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## Richard's, KA5IQX, Pictures of 2014 March for Babies:



## AND THE EVIDENCE:



### From The Jefferson County Club

*The Jefferson County Club will have their next meeting on May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Clubhouse, 216 10<sup>th</sup> Street at Boston Ave, Nederland, Texas. The JC ARES Meets on Thursday May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Club House. We have a lot of Public Service events to work, so please feel free to jump in and help. ALL ARE INVITED!!!  
Our Club Net is on Wednesday evening at 8:00 pm on 145.470 neg offset with pl tone of 103.5. The Mid and South County Ham Operators get together for breakfast on Saturday Mornings at the Magnolia Cafe on Hwy 366 in Port Neches. Please come join us. Check out our website at: [www.w5ssv.com](http://www.w5ssv.com) and [www.qsl.net/w5ssv](http://www.qsl.net/w5ssv).*

### From The Orange County Club

*The Orange Amateur Radio Club will have their next meeting on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Red Cross Chapter House in Orange at 3901 IH10 East at MLK. ARES Meeting Starts at 6:30 pm and the Club Meeting Starts at 7:30 pm PLEASE JOIN US!!!  
Our club net is DAILY at 6:30pm on 147.180 positive offset with a pl tone of 103.5.  
Remember "CQ at the DQ", our HAM Radio Breakfast Meeting at the Dairy Queen on Strickland Dr. in Orange on the THIRD Saturday of the month at 8:30am. Hope to see you there!!!  
Check out our webpage at: [www.qsl.net/w5nd](http://www.qsl.net/w5nd).*

### From The Big Thicket Club

*The Big Thicket Amateur Radio Club will have their next meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup> at the Kountze Fire Station on East Deer and South Beach Street in Kountze at 7:00pm. PLEASE JOIN US !!!!  
Our Club Net is on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm on 145.230 neg offset, pl tone 103.5. EchoLink is available for use.  
Check out our webpage at: [www.qsl.net/btarec](http://www.qsl.net/btarec).*

### From The Lakes Area Club

*The Lakes Area Club will have their next meeting on Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, at the Bell Field, Jasper Airport in Jasper at 7:00pm. PLEASE JOIN US !!!!  
Our Club Net is on Tuesday Evenings at 8:00pm on 147.000 neg offset and pl tone of 118.8. EchoLink is available for use.  
Please check our webpage at: [www.w5jas.org](http://www.w5jas.org)..... For the latest info.*

### From The Tyler County Amateur Radio Association

*The Tyler County Amateur Radio Association meets the first Thursday at 7:00pm at the Woodville Emergency Center located at 201 Veterans Way. Turn at the light by Brookshire Bros Grocery Store and you will see the building. It runs parallel to Hwy 69. Next meeting will be May 1st. PLEASE JOIN US!!!!  
**We will be doing a net on Monday night on the TCARA repeater at 7:00pm. Please check in with us.**  
**Our new repeater IS ON LINE. New Frequency is 147.220 + pl=100.0.***

### From The QCWA

*We meet the third Saturday each month at noon at Baytown Seafood on Hwy 347 just north of Hwy 73 in Groves. Meetings are very informal and usually involve a "show and tell" about some kind of old radio equipment the members have in their collections. You don't have to be licensed 25 years to attend the local meetings, as is required for National QCWA membership.*

### From The LCM SCHOOL RADIO CLUB

*If you have any questions, just let me know. John Nichols, KF5LPY.*



## From the ARRL:

### Amateur Radio Volunteers Supporting Communication at 118th Boston Marathon

04/21/2014

Under an umbrella of heightened security, Amateur Radio volunteers are out in numbers today to provide communication support for the 118th running of the Boston Marathon, a 26.2-mile race from Hopkinton to Boston, Massachusetts. In a show of solidarity following last year's tragic bombings near the Marathon finish line, record numbers of runners — upward of 36,000 — have turned out for the 2014 Patriot's Day event along with record numbers of onlookers. Authorities expect 1 million spectators to be along the route.

The **Minuteman Repeater Association** coordinates Marathon Amateur Radio Communication, with assistance from the **Framingham Amateur Radio Association**, the **Mohawk Amateur Radio Club**, and the **Montachusett Amateur Radio Association**. The race is sponsored by the **Boston Athletic Association**, which has posted up-to-the-minute details on race-day activities on its website.

Amateur Radio communication support **became critical** in the aftermath of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombings, when conventional telecommunications systems, such as cellular telephone, quickly became overloaded and confusion reigned.

This year hundreds of ham radio volunteers, many of them Boston Marathon veterans, will be stationed at transportation staging areas, a the starting and finish lines, and at critical points along the race route, as well as at first aid and water stations, and “shadowing” race and public service officials helping to ensure a safe event this year. According to a CBS-Boston **report**, a dozen or so hams associated with the Worcester Polytechnic Institute's WPI Wireless Association will be among those helping to coordinate the departures of buses carrying runners and race personnel from a staging area to Hopkinton and transporting runners who are unable to complete the race. Marathon organizers this year imposed strict security guidelines that discouraged backpacks and handbags and even baby strollers. Unregistered runners and cyclists also have been banned from the race course. The terrorist's bombs last year were in unattended backpacks.



### Live Amateur Radio Digital TV Test Transmits Astronaut's Image from the ISS

04/13/2014

Japanese Astronaut Koichi Wakata, KC5ZTA, served as the host for a successful final commissioning pass April 13 for the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station (ARISS) “**Ham Video**” transmitter and camera. Operating as OR4ISS from the ISS *Columbus* module, Wakata transmitted digital video and audio, as ground stations in France and Italy tracked the station. The Earth stations received clear video and audio during the approximately 5 minute pass and streamed the signal over the Internet via the British Amateur Television Club (**BATC**) server. The test used so-called “configuration 4,” on 2395 MHz with ARISS antenna 43.

“This will mark the end of the blank transmissions,” said ARISS Europe Chairman Gaston Bertels, ON4WF. “No decision has been taken yet on the future use of Ham Video. We will keep you informed on any progress.”

In early March, as one of his final actions during his duty tour aboard the International Space Station, NASA Astronaut Mike Hopkins, KF5LJG, installed and commissioned the ARISS Ham Video transmitter and camera. He also was the first member of an ISS crew to transmit his image to Earth using the Amateur Radio digital television (DATV) setup.

The ARISS project, led by **ARISS-EU**, **AMSAT-Italy**, and the European Space Agency (**ESA**), eventually will enhance ARISS school contacts by providing a video and audio downlink plus an audio-only uplink.

Commissioning of the “Ham TV” Amateur Radio DATV system marks the culmination of more than a decade of planning and preparation within ARISS. Although there are no immediate plans to employ Ham TV for educational contacts with schools in North America, ARISS International President Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, said several US radio amateurs are testing this capability.

“If this shows educational value,” he said, “it will be employed in the US.” The Ham Video transmitter has downlink frequencies of 2.422, 2.437, 2.369 and 2.395 GHz in a DVB-S type format (symbol rates of 1.3 Ms/s and 2.0 Ms/s). The two patch antennas, ARISS 41 and ARISS 43, are located on the nadir of the Columbus module. The Ham Video transmitter puts out approximately 10 W EIRP. The camera is a Canon XF-305. — *Thanks to ARISS International President Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, and ARISS-EU Chairman Gaston Bertels, ON4WF*



# Calendar of Events:

**MAY 2014**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
				7pm TCARA Mtg 7pm BTARC Net 8pm BARC Net	7:30PM OARC Mtg	7am Tx SET 8am BARC Breakfast
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
8am Tour de Rouge	8am Tour de Rouge 6:30pm ORG ARES Net 7pm TYLER ARES Net	7:00pm BTARC Mtg 8pm LAARC Net	8pm JCARC & ARES Net	7pm BTARC Net 8pm BARC Net		8am BARC Breakfast
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	7pm TYLER ARES Net	7pm JCARC Mtg 8pm LAARC Net	8pm JCARC & ARES Net	7pm JC ARES Mtg 7pm BTARC Net 8pm BARC Net		7am Wildwood Day 8am BARC Breakfast
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	7pm TYLER ARES Net	8pm LAARC Net	8pm JCARC & ARES Net	7pm BTARC Net 8pm BARC Net		8am BARC Breakfast
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	7:30PM BARC Mtg 7pm TYLER ARES Net	8pm LAARC Net	8pm JCARC & ARES Net	7pm LAARC Mtg 7pm BTARC Net 8pm BARC Net		

## Local Frequencies and Access Codes...

52.525 6 Meter FM National Calling Frequency  
 53.150/52.150 Groves Repeater (pl 100.0) **NEW**  
 144.390 APRS  
 145.010 BPT (W5SSV) Packet  
 145.010 W5SSV-10 RMS Packet  
 145.050 KC5YSM-10 RMS Packet  
 145.210- S.W.L.A.R.C. (W5BII, pl 103.5)\*  
 145.230- B.T.A.R.C. (N5BTC, pl 103.5)\*#  
 145.330- Anahuac (KK5XQ, pl 123.0)  
 145.470- J.C.A.R.C. (W5SSV, pl 103.5\*)  
 145.350- Sulphur A.R.C. (KC5PNH, pl 103.5)\*  
 145.560 Simplex-Jeff Co ARES Secondary  
 146.450 Mid County Simplex  
 146.520 National Simplex  
 146.560 Simplex Tyler Co ARES Prim  
 146.580 Simplex Jeff Co ARES Prim & Special Event  
 146.640- Beaumont Repeater (KW5C, 103.5 pl) **NEW**  
 146.680-Tyler Co Amateur Radio Assoc. (100.0 pl) **DOWN**  
 146.700- B.A.R.C. (W5RIN, pl 107.2)\*#  
 146.730- S.W.L.A.R.C. (W5BII, pl 173.8)#  
 146.760- B.A.R.C. (W5GNX, pl 107.2) **DOWN**

146.860- Port Arthur (WD5GJP) pl 103.5  
 146.980- H.A.M.S. (Devers, N5FJX, pl 103.5)\*#  
 147.000- Jasper (W5JAS, pl 118.8)\*#  
 147.060+ DuPont (AA5P, pl 103.5)  
 147.180+ Orange A.R.C. (W5ND, pl 103.5)\*  
 147.200+ Port Arthur (KC5YSM) (pl 118.8)\*#  
 147.220+ Tyler Co ARA (pl 100.0)\* **NEW**  
 147.300+ Mobil Oil (W5XOM) (pl 103.5)\*  
 147.420 Simplex-Orange ARES Primary  
 147.460 Simplex-Orange ARES Secondary  
 147.570 Simplex-Hardin Co ARES Secondary  
 223.800 Beaumont (KA5QDG) (pl 123.0) **DOWN**  
 224.920 Devers (KA5QDG) (pl 123.0)  
 440.725 +Jeff Co D-Star Repeater **NEW**  
 442.575 Devers (KA5QDG, pl 103.5)  
 444.700 B.A.R.C. (W5RIN, pl 107.2) **DOWN**  
 444.900 Mobil Oil (W5XOM, pl 103.5)  
 446.000 National Simplex UHF

\* Denotes transmitted PL tone.

# Denotes echo link.

### NETS

BARC Net Thurs Night 8:00pm 146.700  
 JCARC Net Wed Night 8:00pm 145.470  
 BTARC Net Thurs Night 7:00pm 145.230  
 Org ARC Net Nightly 6:30pm 147.180  
 LAARC (Jasper) Tues Night 8:00pm 147.000  
 TCARA (Tyler CO) Mon Night 7:00pm 147.220  
 2M SSB Net Tues Night 8:30pm 144.270  
 2M CW Net Wed Night 7:30pm 144.160  
 10M CW Net Fri Night 7:45pm 28.970  
 10M LAARC Ph Net Wed 8:45pm 28.325 USB

Daytime Texas Traffic Net Daily 8:30am 7.285  
 7290 Traffic Net M-Sat 10am-12N, 1-2pm 7.290  
 Texas Traffic Net Daily 6:30pm 3.873  
 Gulf Coast SSB Net Daily 6:30pm 3.925  
 Delta SSB Net M-Sat 7:00pm 3.905  
 Ctn Gulf Cst Hurricane Net Daily 8:00pm 3.935  
 Southwest Traffic Net Daily 9:30pm 3.935  
 Central Tx Emerg Net Sunday 8:00am 3.910  
 Louisiana ARES HF Net Sunday 7:30pm 3.873  
 Texas ARES HF Net Monday 7:30pm 3.873  
 Texas RACES HF Net 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sun 2pm 7.255

## BARN YARD: For Sale

**From: L. B. Little, WB5YDA (mech5(at)gt.rr.com), President, BARC, W5RIN**

I have Jimmy Easley's old BK 1742C 15mhz ocelliscope that I am trying to sell for his wife. Asking \$50.00

**From: Larry Perkins, W5LDP (papaperk@gt.rr.com ) 409-860-1925**

**Beam: Mosley TA34 XL WARC 5 Element Tri-band plus 17M WARC**

**Rotor: Hygain Ham IV**

**I will sell both with the mast for \$1000. I am not interested in selling them separately. The antenna is assembled and on my tower at about 10 ft. elevation.**

**JOE LANIER, KE5NYS, in Jasper has a web based business. Please Visit: [www.factorready.com](http://www.factorready.com) for :Emergency Tips and Resources for HAMS, see "Crank-a-Watt Generators for DIY power. See "Getting Started in Ham Radio" under the downloads section for your new HAM prospects.**

For Sale - Tower, hazer with mast, 13 section tower with base section, top section, mast, with hazer for sale, on the ground. Pick up only. In Leesville, LA. \$800. Will throw in an old rotor and controller.

Mike Drouilhet, KF5JLX, [mrcoog@yahoo.com](mailto:mrcoog@yahoo.com)

**Betty's W5PUP, Equipment**

Icom 706 mic, manual and box. No power cable. Just back from Icom service center. Works perfect. Needs cleaning \$675.00 - Vectronics 3000 Watt meter cross needle No light but works well. \$50.00 - Kenwood 2 meter hand held. Battery seems to work good. Wall charger. Original box and AA battery case. \$50.00 - Astron 20 amp linear supply. Ugly but works. \$30.00 - Astron 30 amp linear supply also ugly but works. \$40.00 - Dentron Super Tuner Plus. Looks very nice and works perfect No arcing. \$150.00 - Dentron Super Tuner. Looks nice. Works good. No arcing. \$80.00 - MXL 990 Mic in case and power supply. Looks new. \$65.00 - MFJ VHF-UHF model 812B Looks and works good. \$25.00 No manual - Hitachi V-212 20 MHz scope Looks very nice. 1 probe \$75.00

Contact: Monty Gore at [mgore2@yahoo.com](mailto:m gore2@yahoo.com)

**Howdy Everyone,**

David Binns, W5VXI became a SK a few weeks ago... David was a long time friend and a ham for nearly 70 years... David was a retired Broadcast Engineer and his business fabricated control panels for radio communications users like Motorola. David's equipment is listed below and is in excellent condition... His Grand Son, David Brown is handling the liquidation and he is not a ham but has Jeff, N5TMC that lives near by and K5BMR to help him with any questions... It is OK if you want to forward this information to anyone else... David Brown's contact information is:

David Brown 214-364-7805 [dbbrown71@gmail.com](mailto:dbbrown71@gmail.com)

**73 de George K5BMR**

Yaesu FT-950 HF/50 MHz Transceiver: \$1,000+shipping or can pickup locally in Dallas,TX area

Ameritron ALS-600+ALS-600PS (Amp & Power Supply): \$1,000+shipping or can pickup locally in Dallas,TX area

LDG Electronics AT-1000Pro Autotuner: \$350+shipping or can pickup locally in Dallas,TX area

Yaesu SP-2000 External Speaker: \$150+shipping or can pickup locally in Dallas,TX area

Yaesu MD-100A8X Desktop Mic: \$110+shipping or can pickup locally in Dallas,TX area

Yaesu VX-7R Handheld Quad Band Transceiver (includes mic & software CD): \$215+shipping or can pickup locally in Dallas,TX area

Kenwood TM-271A VHF FM Transceiver (includes mic & bracket): \$125+shipping or can pickup locally in Dallas,TX area

Kenwood TM-D710A Dual Band Mobile: \$375+shipping or can pickup locally in Dallas,TX area

Ameritron RCS-8V (remote coax switch): \$100+shipping or can pickup locally in Dallas,TX area

**FROM RICH, N5ALE:**

Dear Amateur Radio Operator,

My name is Oleg Vladimirovich, I am 65 years old and during all my life I am collecting old radios & receivers.

I have many different radios in my collection, but up to now I was not able to acquire the National Panasonic RF8000

communications receiver. I would be very happy to buy it but it is almost impossible to find it in Russia. Therefore I

decided to appeal to you in a hope that may be it is possible to buy such a receiver in your great country. I hope to hear from you soon.

Oleg Vladimirovich, Russia, [olegvlad@yormail.ru](mailto:olegvlad@yormail.ru)

## PROJECT GROUP NEWS

### BALLOON GROUP NEWS

Anyone that has not been involved and wishes to do so, please contact LB Little, WB5YDA, at [mech5@gt.rr.com](mailto:mech5@gt.rr.com) and give him your contact info. The group is asking each member for a \$20.00 donation and looking for club and corporate sponsors.

### MESH NETWORK GROUP NEWS

Anyone that has not been involved and wishes to do so, please contact Rocky Wilson, N5MTX at [rockywilson@hotmail.com](mailto:rockywilson@hotmail.com) or LB Little, WB5YDA, at [mech5@gt.rr.com](mailto:mech5@gt.rr.com) and give him your contact info.

### D-STAR REPEATER GROUP NEWS

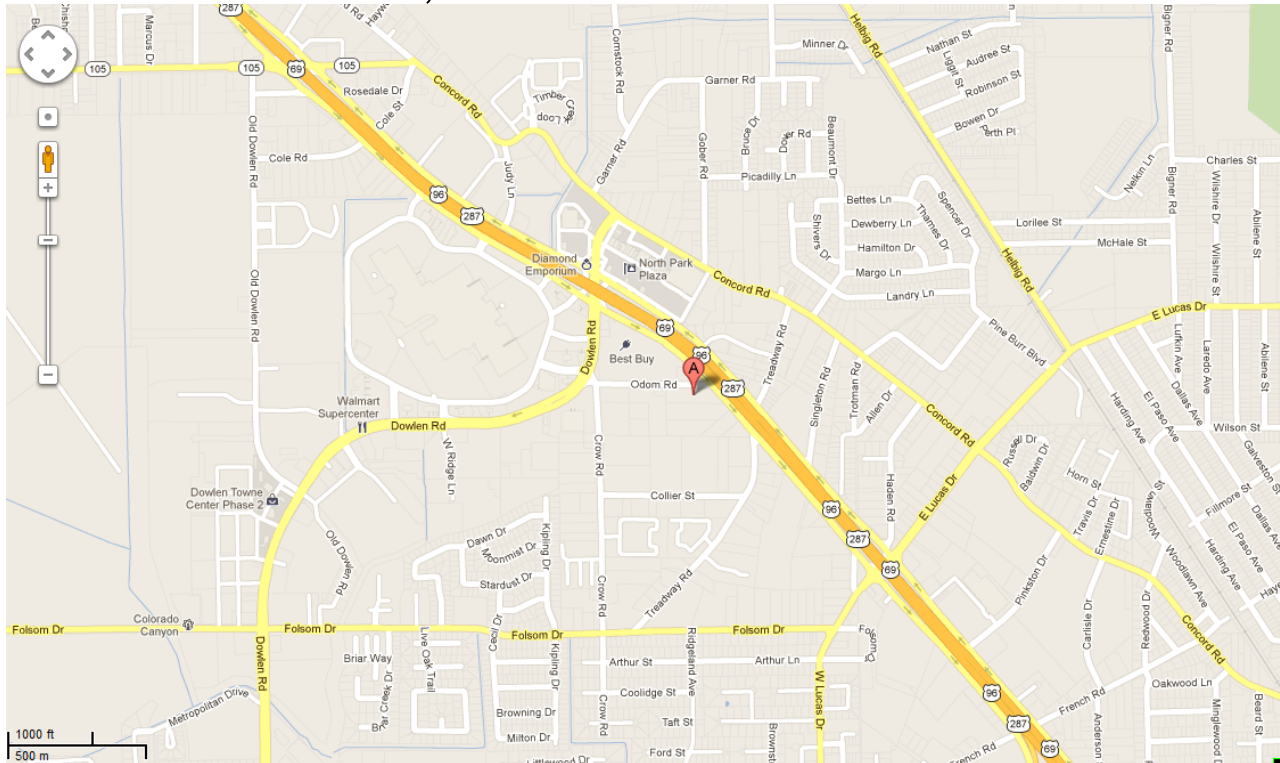
Anyone that has not been involved and wishes to do so, please contact Lawrence Kellar, KB5ZZB at [lkellar@swbell.net](mailto:lkellar@swbell.net) or Rocky Wilson, N5MTX at [rockywilson@hotmail.com](mailto:rockywilson@hotmail.com) and give them your contact info. A meeting is being planned for the near future. The Repeater has been installed and is operating on 440.725 + offset. Lawrence will have to set you up for operation on a D-Star capable radio.

### *LB's Tips and Techniques.*

Does your car key share a chain with a dozen or more other keys? That's a pretty heavy load hanging off the car key when it's in the ignition. The weight, combined with bouncing while you drive, can wear out the tumblers inside the ignition and eventually lead to ignition switch failure. To add years of service to your ignition switch, purchase a lightweight key chain that allows you to separate your ignition key from the others. Drive with only the ignition key in your ignition. If your ignition key "sticks" when you try to turn on the car, it's a warning that your ignition switch is about to fail. Replace it before you get stranded.

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## Club Directory...

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### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

FULL MEMBERSHIP.....\$20.00

ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER.....5.00 (ANNUAL RATES)

BARN SUBSCRIPTION ONLY.....7.50

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