



# LARC



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## DATES TO REMEMBER

**REGULAR MEETING**  
September 1, 2005 - 7 p.m.

### HAMFEST SCHEDULE

Lake Charles - September 10  
Pineville - October 8  
Monroe - November 12  
Hammond - January 14

**Each Wednesday**

**Lunch Bunch 11 a.m.-2 p.m.**

Golden Corral - Amb Caffery

Check 146.820 - repeater for info

**Each Monday, 8:00 p.m.**

AARA Net 146.820 - 600

**Each Tuesday, 8:00 p.m.**

ARES Net 145.370 - 600 PL 103.5

## From the Prez

Well, another month has rolled by. It took a little longer than planned, but the W5DDL/R repeater on 147.040 is back on the KRVS tower and seems to be operating very well. I want to thank Dick WQA6MDI for his assistance in setting the repeater deviation and getting rid of some de-sense. His magic box called an IFR makes the job easy.

Looks like the tropics are starting to heat up again. Looks like there is a possibility of a storm in the Gulf of Mexico this weekend or early next week. Everybody needs to check their supplies and be ready in the situation develops. September 10 is traditionally the peak of Hurricane season, however, our last hurricane occurred on October 3.

The storage building that is parked on John Martin's sister has a nice fresh coat of white paint.

Also, don't forget the special event operation coming up the weekend of October 8 and 9 in Carencro. We will be operating from our van AMOS with the callsign of W5C. We will need help with Setup, tear down and plenty of operators.

Keep our troops overseas in your prayers.

See you at the meeting September 1.

**73**  
**Danny K5ARH**

## Vice President Message

I think everyone has by now realized that summer is here and the temperature and humidity have been extremely unbearable. Luckily, the hurricanes have stayed away from our shores but we are not out of the picture so far. There are a few tropical storms out there as I write this article, hopefully they will stay out of our hair.

Well, it looks like the next couple of months will be pretty interesting for the Acadiana area. We have the AARA General Meeting on September 1, the Swampfest in Lake Charles on September 10, and Amateur Radio Public Awareness Day September 17. In October on the 8th (a very busy

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## LOUISIANA SECTION NEWS - JULY 2005

## September Birthdays

Our 2005 Simulated Emergency Test, originally scheduled for October 8, has been rescheduled for November 5 because of several conflicts.

Newly elected officers for the Southeast LA ARC are KD5LWJ, President; WB5FBS, Vice President; KD5PKS, Secretary; and AG5AT, Treasurer. Congratulations and good luck!

Amateur Radio Public Awareness Day will be on Saturday, September 17. On that date, amateurs operating on emergency power are encouraged to make contacts with others who are also using only emergency power to demonstrate preparedness for emergency communications for the public. Emergency power can be any source that is completely separate from commercial mains, such as generators, solar panels, storage batteries, and battery packs in HTs. Operation can be from home or field. More details appear on page 49 in September QST.

ARRL members with an interest in emergency communications or public service activities can sign up to receive the ARES E-Newsletter, a new service from ARRL HQ. League members sign up for e-mail delivery of the newsletter by way of their member data page. The premier issue has just arrived as I'm preparing this month's report.

Russ N5ADF reports that W5KID on the USS Kidd in Baton Rouge was active during Museum Ships Weekend. Club members of the USS Kidd ARC and the Baton Rouge ARC made over 300 contacts during the event. W5KID will also be on the air for Veterans Day and Pearl Harbor Day. For more details, check out [http://www.lsu.edu/brarc/USS\\_Kidd.htm](http://www.lsu.edu/brarc/USS_Kidd.htm)

Jessie WB5JZQ (Vernon Parish EC) reports that propagation was marginal on 40 and 80 meters during the MASCAL Exercise at Fort Polk and an APRS Internet Gate system will soon be on top of the 7-story Bayne-Jones Army Community Hospital building. Participating HF stations included N5SJ (KD5LKB, operator), K5BMO, K5GLS, N5II, AF5P, WB5OMZ, N5YE, N5RWI, NZ5S, KD5JP, N5NVP, WB5JZQ, and KE5DJA. APRS stations active during the exercise were WB5JZP, W5TMP, WB5JZQ, N5SUM, and WD5ZQD.

Over 1600 comments have already been filed via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) on the Commission's recent proposal to eliminate the Morse code requirement for all license classes. To file on-line comments on the FCC's proposal in WT Docket 05-235 or to view others' comments in the proceeding, visit the ECFS site at <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/> and click on "Submit a Filing" or "Search for Filed Comments." In either case, type "05-235" in the Proceeding field. More details are on page 77 of September QST and the Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order document is available at [http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/FCC-05-143A1.pdf](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-05-143A1.pdf)

The 2005 AMSAT-North America Space Symposium and Annual Meeting will be on October 7-9 in Lafayette. Visit <http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/symposium/> for more details. The Acadiana ARA is sponsoring a special event station on October 8 celebrating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the City of Carencro. W5C will operate SSB on 28.340, 21.320,

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| 0903 ELTON    | KC5EHH |
| 0905 AL       | K5DPG  |
| 0907 BERTIE   | KA5RMK |
| 0907 JOHN     | KA5BSE |
| 0908 BODIE    | WD5GJB |
| 0908 BUD      | N5AN   |
| 0909 JOHN     | KC5FRN |
| 0909 GERALD   | N5NKR  |
| 0909 ANGELA   | KC5IOD |
| 0910 CARLETON | KB5FLF |
| 0912 JOHN     | N5RNG  |
| 0913 JIM      | WB5AAA |
| 0913 FRED     | W5MLE  |
| 0914 KYLE     | KC5LTG |
| 0915 DON      | KC5JPG |
| 09153 MELVIN  | KB5ANG |
| 0918 PETE     | KM5TE  |
| 0919 MEL      | WD5CAE |
| 0920 DANNY    | K5ARH  |
| 0923 JOHN     | KK5RC  |
| 0923 STEVE    | KB5UDE |
| 0924 WARD     | NG5T   |
| 0924 COURTNEY | KD5BTP |
| 0925 KIM      | KC5PRN |
| 0925 KAREN    | KC5WKE |
| 0930 JOHN     | K5ANN  |

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## TID BYTES

At the August meeting test session Jonathan Wagner passed the Tech exam and received the call KE5FSG. Laurent Partimbene KD5TGY passed the code test, John Winn Jr KE5EEO and Gerald Miller KB5FEY pass the General exam. They all three upgraded to General class.

We will be conducting an ARRL VE testing sessions at the meeting on September 1st. If you need to test at another time, let us know. We can schedule a session to accommodate everyone.

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**73 Al Oubre K5DPG**

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14.270, and 7.240 during the event.

Upcoming hamfests include the Southwest LA Amateur Repeater Club Swampfest in Lake Charles on September 10, the Central LA ARC Hamfest in Pineville on October 8, the Twin City Ham Club Hamfest in Monroe on November 12, and the MARA Hamfest in Minden on December 17.

I am very sorry to report that W5RNH, WB5ADU, and KD5OQB are now Silent Keys.

Traffic totals: K5DPG 176, K5MC 131, W4DLZ 89, NF5B 73, AE5V 73, W5PY 35, N5KWB 9. Public Service Honor Roll: W5PY 245, K5DPG 220, KC5RJY 205, K5ER 188, K5MC 110, N5KWB 104, W4DLZ 100, AE5V 97, NF5B 97, W5DSG 88, W5HUD 80, KD5ITA 69, N5HMH 51, KB5UHH 37, KE5BLL 8. PSHR for June: K5ER 342, W4DLZ 83. Section net reports: sessions/check-ins/messages handled. Louisiana Traffic Net: 29/225/58. Louisiana CW Net: 31/146/74. Louisiana ARES Net: 4/71/0. Local ARES net reports: sessions/check-ins. Caddo/Bossier: 1/14, Calcasieu: 3/18, Cameron: 1/2, Lafayette (AARA Net): 4/90, Ouachita: 2/36, Rapides: 4/60, Richland: 4/41, St. Tammany: 4/58, Tangipahoa: 4/55, Terrebonne: 2/29, Union: 4/33, Vernon: 1/5. ARES reports: parish/EC. Allen/KA5NXT, Avoyelles/KD5IGG, Calcasieu/KC5FGO, Cameron/AF5AA, Claiborne/KD5JJP, Desota/AA5HY, Franklin/N5ASA, Lafayette/KN5LSU, Orleans/NO5FD, Ouachita/K5ER, Rapides/KD5DFL, Red River/KD5IUZ, Richland/KC5RJY, St. Bernard/KD5BPW, St. Tammany/KC5WLA, Tangipahoa/AA5GP, Terrebonne/KB5UOO, Union/KA5JNL, Vermillion/KD5QYV, Vernon/WB5JZQ, Washington/AI5B, Webster/KB5WFE, West Feliciana/N5SOD.

**73,**

**Mickey Cox K5MC**

**LA Section Website: [www.laarri.org/](http://www.laarri.org/)**

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day) with the Carencro Special Event, the 2005 AMSAT North American Space Symposium in Lafayette, and Alexandria Hamfest going on at the same time. I would like to attend all three, but it is impossible. Check your e-mail for more details and updates on the above events.

Our thanks go out to Danny K5ARH, Dick WA6MDI, and Greg K5LFT for getting the 147.040 repeater back on the tower and sounding real solid with good coverage. So if you are engaging in a long QSO on the 146.82 machine and you are in range of the 704, switch over and free up the 682 for a while.

**73's de Herman KN5GRK**

**V. P. AARA [kn5grk@w5ddl.org](mailto:kn5grk@w5ddl.org)**

**Hello!**

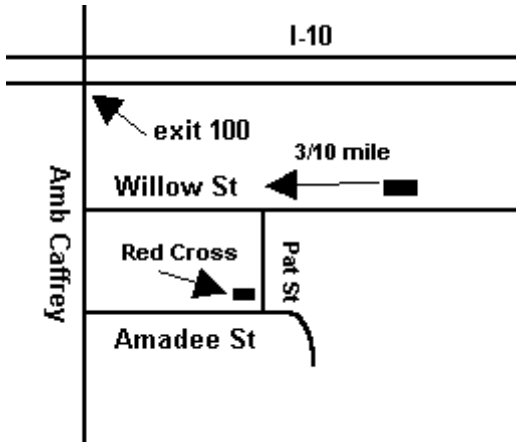
I just wanted you to know that my Grandfather's ham radio legacy is continuing here in Baton Rouge. Some time ago I applied for, and received, his call sign (my old call was KC4FRI). As a middle school science teacher, the opportunity to weave amateur radio into the classroom is wonderful. With the help of the Baton Rouge Amateur Radio Club, we spent most of last year putting together a station in the classroom. Rather than apply for a separate club call, we are using W5FRM for the school station. The kids have learned a lot and having a blast getting on the air. Five of my students even earned their own tickets in the spring! Everything worked out so perfectly that I cannot help but think that Papa is up there bugging the Angels to no end to make sure that our station and program goes well. As I put the finishing touches on to my classroom, preparing for the start of a new school year, I look forward to more radio adventures with my students. I hope that all is well with you and the AARA. I am sure that Papa is watching over you guys, too. Have a great day!

**Charamie Baxter Dunlap W5FRM  
(Jack Baxer's granddaughter)  
G/T Science Teacher  
Glasgow Middle School**

**2005 AMSAT-North  
A m e r i c a  
Space Symposium and  
Annual Meeting October 7 -  
9, 2005, Lafayette,  
Louisiana.**

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## *From The Kitchen Of Carolyn Oubre KA5IJU*

### *OVEN CHICKEN STEW*

- 1 cut up fryer (meatballs can be used or boneless chicken or seafood)
- 1 envelope of Lipton Onion Soup Mix
- 1 can reduced fat cream of mushroom soup
- 1 belle pepper, chopped
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 stalk of celery, chopped
- 2 tablespoons kitchen bouquet
- 1 can of water

Saute chicken with nonstick spray or a little water. Take chicken out and saute onion and belle pepper. Mix soup, water and kitchen bouquet together. Stir well. Put chicken back in pot and place in oven for 1 and 1/2 hours. at 350degrees. (cook less if you use boneless chicken.  
Serve with rice and a vegetable.

## *FCC LICENSE INFO SERVICE*

The FCC toll-free (WATS) number for Amateur Radio license inquiries -- including inquiries about vanity and new call signs. The number, 888-225-5322, will connect callers to the FCC National Call Center, handled by the FCC's Consumer Information Bureau. Amateurs having ULS problems or questions should contact the FCC's ULS Technical Support staff at 202-414-1250 or [ulscmm@fcc.gov](mailto:ulscmm@fcc.gov).

Web site:

<<http://wireless.fcc.gov/usl/>>

New callsign information can also be obtained from the ARRL/VEC at 860-594-3000.

<http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec>

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