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Calvert Amateur Radio Association, Inc.

Meeting information

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC...YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A MEMBER

OR EVEN A LICENSED AMATEUR RADIO OPERATOR TO ATTEND.

150 Main Street (First level—County Services Building)

Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Meetings held every first Thursday of each month

UPCOMING EVENTS/DATES TO REMEMBER FOR THE NEW YEAR

January 20, 2015 — ARES Meeting, 7:30 p.m., 150 Main Street, Prince Frederick (1st level County Services Building)

February 5, 2015 — CARA Club Meeting, 7:30 p.m., 150 Main Street, Prince Frederick (1st level County Services Building)

February 7, 2015 — Frostfest, Richmond Raceway, Richmond, VA

February 17, 2015 — ARES Meeting, 7:30 p.m. (Location TBD)

February 21, 2015 — CARA Club Breakfast, 9:00 a.m., Traders Seafood-Steak-Ale Restaurant, 8132 Bayside Rd, Chesapeake Beach, MD 20732

March 5, 2015 — CARA Club Meeting, 7:30 p.m., 150 Main Street, Prince Frederick (1st level County Services Building)

March 10, 2015 — CARA Extra Class begins 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., 150 Main Street, Prince Frederick (1st level County Services Building) (To be held every Tuesday thru June 9; except on ARES meeting days)

Upcoming Hamfests:

May 2, 2015 — Hagerstown Hamfest, Washington County Agricultural Center, MD Rte. 65 South Sharpsburg Pike, Hagerstown, MD. Sponsored by the Antietam Radio Association—W3CWC

May 24, 2015 — Memorial Day Hamfest, Howard County Fairgrounds, Rte. 144, West Friendship, MD

June 14, 2015 — Manassas Hamfest (check future CARA newsletters for more info about this hamfest)

Also, mark your calendars for Field Day, JUNE 27-28, 2015!!

And don't forget lunch every Wednesday at noon at the Mount Hope Community Center, Sunderland, MD





Club Officers

President Bob Sheskin

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CARA's Christmas Party, December 13, 2014, Mount Hope Community Center, Sunderland, MD





The CARA Christmas Party begins! And as you can see, the battle lines were already drawn—all men at one end of the room and the women at the other! While the men talked radios, the wives talked about the men! Fortunately the great food and drink brought them mixing together when they sat down to eat and exchange gifts.

In top photo from left: Chuck Shefflette (AA3CS), Ed Noell (KC3AEN), Ken Skaggs (AB3WJ), Steve Hempling (N3IPN), Dick Ratcliffe (W3RBR), Bob Sheskin (N3PPH), Shawn Donley (N3AE), and Don Kirby (KR3A). In bottom photo from left: Marge Donley, Linda Tetlow, Miriam Ratcliffe (KC3ASQ), Cammie Weaver (KA3RUR), back view of Lorraine Shefflette, Chris Kirby (KB3CLG), [in front] Debra Hempling, [in back and partially hidden] Terri Sheskin, and Sally Balint (N3XMX).







SANTA CLAUS — NOT!







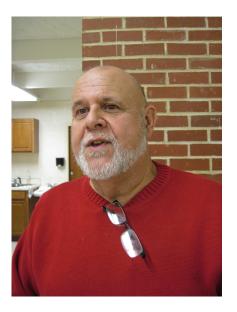
Amanda Christensen (KI4IWS) and the little future Hamlet, Harlan



Dave Weaver's (W3PQS) gift for the silent auction







Chef Les (KH6CUJ)

Club President Bob (N3PPH) presenting awards





Jim (K3UGA) says, "When do we eat?"



Steve (N3IPN) says, "Well, I've got mine!"



Ken (AB3WJ) says "Don't look at me, I just smelled the food and wandered in!"





Karl (KG1L) and family, retired now, will volunteer for food.



Terri Sheskin and husband Bob (N3PPH) . "We're full, that was ${\tt great!}"$



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CLUB COMINGS AND GOINGS

Congratulations to Ron Byzet for becoming a grandfather ham on December 29, 2014!
Ron's first grandchild, Baby Boy, BRADEN LEE BYZET emerged at 9 lbs. 2 oz. And congratulations to his parents, Andy and Brooke Byzet, for timing that tax deduction perfectly!! Best wishes to all the Byzet Family.

Congratulations to Karl Long for retiring from Federal Service! Karl also served several years in the U.S. Coast Guard. Thank you for your overall service, and we hope to see you at lunch a lot more often now!

Note: If you would like to share personal triumphs, new additions, notable achievements, and such, please send them for inclusion to the CARA Newsletter to Monica (KC3DAS mnoell1@verizon.net) or Ed (KC3AEN, enoell@verizon.net).



The Calvert Amateur Radio Association, Inc. is an active and community-minded group of Amateur Radio Operators located in Calvert County in Southern Maryland. Our association is a non-profit 501(C)3 organization supporting amateur radio operation, experimentation, and public

Dear Readers.

This is YOUR newsletter. If you have stories or photos of your hobby that you would like to share with the club, please do so! We will keep covering all the CARA Club events, but it's also nice to get those personal perspectives to include. Connecting through experiences is what makes CARA a real club. Thanks, Monica and Ed

