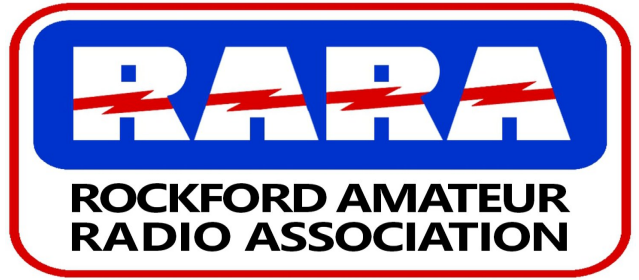


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## RARA Mission Statement

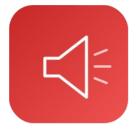
A member association with common interest of public service to the community through the use of amateur radio.

May 2026

Calling CQ for over 70 years

RARA is a volunteer run organization of individuals donating their time each month to develop activities, maintain repeaters, nets, and education. There are associated expenses and when you become a club member, your dues are providing a service to your community and furthering the hobby of amateur radio.

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Curt KE9BIQ, Dave W9CJS, Greg KE9EOT,  
John NG9M, Larry AC9GO,  
and our featured NCO, Jimmy KC9GCR

### Welcome New Members

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## Editor's Note

If you would like to have something published, please submit to me at [w9yum.vs@gmail.com](mailto:w9yum.vs@gmail.com)

Articles are welcome and encouraged from all!

**Due Date for the June Ham Rag is Thu May 28, 2026**

73, Verna—W9YUM, Editor

## NEXT MEETING

**FRIDAY— June 12 - 7:00pm**

### Summer Field Day Planning

OSF St Anthony Med Center  
(Foundation Room-ground/cafeteria level)  
5666 East State Street, Rockford

Social Time following meeting at Gerry's Pizza  
7403 Argus Drive, Rockford

## President's Message— Larry McFall, KD9HKX

Greetings members and Friends of RARA,

I hope you are all well, staying safe, and enjoying the change of the season. Everything seems to kick in to high gear this time of year and it is no different for RARA.

A study was conducted by the RARA Emergency Services committee (ESC) to determine the coverage area of each of the local 2 M repeaters. The ESC study concluded, the best overall 2 M coverage for the area was on the 146.610 repeater. Next in general coverage was the 147.195 and the 147.000 repeaters. Based on this study, the board voted to move the Skywarn activations to the 146.610 repeater as the primary. The 147.195 will be the backup repeater for Skywarn. It's been the goal of the board to improve the local Skywarn system of spotters by means of better training, spotter safety, and professionalism of the net control. This also includes timely and accurate reporting to the National Weather Service. The RARA Emergency Services committee has done an excellent job in promoting and working toward those goals.

May 17th brought two ham activities. In the morning of the 17th was a swap meet and social hosted by Larry, K9KZT from 9:00 until noon. Following the swap meet was an educational project event sponsored by the Beloit Club and RARA. The event consisted of building an UnUn for an end-fed antenna and was very well attended.

Finally, Field Day will be held on June 27th and 28th. This year's event will once again be held at the YMCA camp Winnebago. We hope to see all of you at some or all of these events. As a reminder, a sign up sheet for field day was emailed and a general planning session will take place at our June regular meeting. Remember, if able and available, your participation is key to a successful event.

73's to all of you.

Larry KD9HKX

# RARA Board and Local Nets

Tuesday, June 9, 2026 RARA Board Meeting 7:00pm on Google Meet  
Friday, June 12, 2026 RARA Membership Meeting 7:00pm OSF St Anthony

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## Local Net Information

**Mon** - 7:00pm - RARA Info. Net & CW Lesson, 146.610 (-0.6) offset, pl 114.8  
- 8:00pm - McHenry County RACES Net, 146.835 (-0.6) offset, pl 91.5

**Tues** - 7:00pm - RARA Tuesday Night Net & CW Lesson , 146.610 (-0.6) offset, pl 114.8

**Wed** - 7:00pm - Wed Night Chat Net, 146.610 (-0.6) offset, pl 114.8  
- 7:00pm - Stephenson County ARES Net, 147.390(+0.6) offset, pl 114.8

**Thu** - 7:00pm - Winnebago Co. Skywarn Net, 147.195 (+0.6) offset, pl 114.8

**Fri** - 8:00pm - Friday Night Fun Net, KC9GCR, 146.610 (-0.6) offset, pl 114.8

**Sat** - 8:00pm - RARA Ragchew Net, 146.610 (-0.6) offset, pl 114.8  
- 8:00pm - Pink Hamsters YL Net, Milwaukee 146.910 (-0.6) offset, pl 127.3  
- 9:00pm - Saturday Night Fun Net Milwaukee 146.910 (-0.6) offset, pl 127.3

**Mon. thru Friday** - 8:00am to 9:00am - Senile Net, WD9BB, 14.287 (HF USB)

## Save the Dates!

**Sunday, June 7, 2026 (8am-1pm)**

**Starved Rock Radio Club Hamfest**

**LOCATION:** Mendota Fairgrounds, 503 1st Avenue, Mendota, IL

**COST:** \$10 door, \$8 in advance

**TALK-IN:** 147.120(+)/103.5pl

**NOTES:** Prizes, outdoor flea market 6am-1pm, drawings, testing, camping

**Friday, June 12, 2026 (7pm)**

**RARA Monthly Meeting—Field Day Planning**

OSF St Anthony, Rockford—Foundation Room

**Monday, June 15, 2026 (7:30pm)**

**Winnebago County Skywarn Monthly meeting**

OSF St Anthony—lower level of main entrance in the Foundation Room

**Saturday, June 27 - Sunday, June 28, 2026**

**Summer Field Day—YMCA Camp Winnebago**

This annual event is always held on the **fourth Full weekend in June**. Please get it on your calendar as a lot of help is needed for a successful and fun event! Field Day chairman is Doug Passmore, KE9CNS. Volunteers are needed!

**Friday, July 10, 2026 (7pm)**

**RARA Monthly Meeting—John Kruk (Yaesu) System Fusion**

OSF St Anthony, Rockford—Foundation Room

**Monday, July 20, 2026 (7:30pm)**

**Winnebago County Skywarn Monthly meeting**

OSF St Anthony—lower level of main entrance in the Foundation Room

**New email address? Phone Number? A new call sign? Upgraded your License?  
Joined the ARRL?**

Don't forget to let us know so our records are accurate and you aren't left out of the loop! Please email updates to Verna W9YUM at [w9yum.vs@gmail.com](mailto:w9yum.vs@gmail.com) & add me to your contacts.



**Rockford Amateur Radio Association, ARRL Field Day Event  
A 24-hour Emergency Communications Demonstration  
When: Saturday, June 27, 2026, 1:00PM - Sunday, June 28, 2026, noon  
Where: YMCA Camp Winnebago, 5804 N. Main St. – Rockford, IL 61103**

Field Day is amateur (ham) radio's 24-hour open house. Every June, more than 40,000 hams throughout North America set up temporary, off-grid transmitting stations in public places to demonstrate ham radio's science, skill and service to our communities and our nation. It combines public service, emergency preparedness, community outreach, and technical skills all in a single event. The Field Day Emergency Communications Demonstration has been an annual event since 1933 and remains ham radio's most popular event.

Once again, RARA has an awesome plan! We will be running 3-Alpha which means we can run three rigs simultaneously and we will be on emergency or portable power. There will be three HF rigs and we will over the two days run SSB, CW, and digital (PKS31 and/or FT8). There will also be an always popular "Get on the Air" (GOTA) station setup which is and a great opportunity for RARA to introduce individuals to the hobby of amateur radio as well as introducing newer operators to HF.

Volunteer sign-up sheets have been circulated via email, and we are off to a good start, however more help is still needed making it possible to share the load with many rather than a few. There are opportunities to help with setup/teardown, clean up, greeting the public, working the GOTA station to help others get on the air, operating and logging, social media updates, and assisting with lunch and/or dinner. This year there will be two meals (lunch and dinner) and plenty of snacks for the overnight operators.

Look for more communication to be coming your way via email, RARA Facebook Page, and the new website news feed at <https://www.Rockfordara.org> .

Questions: please reach out to [w9yum.vs@gmail.com](mailto:w9yum.vs@gmail.com) and she will get it directed to the right person! Here's to lots of fun and very successful Field Day!

# Behind the Mic—Meet Your Net Control Operators

This new monthly feature will spotlight one or two of the net control voices you hear weekly or multiple times a week on both RARA and other local nets. Although they each bring their own style and the new formats are varied, they all show up week after week to make sure nets run smoothly, newcomers feel welcome, and old friends stay connected. This Month features two Net Control Operators (NCO).



This month's NCO is usually heard on Friday Nights and you may know him as "Mr. Friday Night". While the Friday Night Fun Net is his baby, you may hear on other nets as part of the NCO rotation or as a check-in. Jimmy KC9GCR, needs no further introduction, so let's get started!

How long have you been a ham radio operator and what got you interested in the hobby?

Since 2004. In the mid to late 70s, I was a CB operator and a neighbor living in my building was a ham, Al Retzlaff, KB9SEW, and we would visit and talk about radios. One day he came to my door and gave me the ARRL tech exam book. He would give me practice exams and after a few months he took me to my exam and read the questions to me. That was May 12, 2004 and I only missed two questions. Al is now a silent key. In 2018 I upgraded to general.

What do you enjoy most about serving as a net control operator?

I really enjoy taking check-ins, especially during the Friday Night Fun Net, the trivia and other topics. I enjoy talking with all of the different people.

What type of nets do you provide NCO services for?

- ⇒ Monday – RARA Info Net shared duties with K9KZT alternating weekly.
- ⇒ Wednesday – Stephenson County ARES Net 7pm 147.390
- ⇒ Wednesday Night Swap Net—8:00pm shared with Mel N9RPN
- ⇒ Thursday – Winnebago County Skywarn Training Net, if needed
- ⇒ Friday – Fun Net went live on 12/5/2008
- ⇒ Saturday – RagChew Net, rotation (first Saturday of month)

What's the most memorable or challenging experience you've had while running the net?

**Memorable** - 07/29/2011 – band conditions were hopping and I had 56 check-ins, the most ever even from Iowa and Minnesota. It was on the 147.255 repeater.

**Challenging** - Feb 2012 – challenging was someone that kept keying up and talking.

## Behind the Mic—Meet Your Net Control Operators

What advice would you give to someone who's thinking about becoming a net control operator for the first time?

You will stumble and fumble, listen to the other nets and see how they do and copy their methods. Don't talk too fast or become too long winded.

Beyond the nets, what are your favorite ham radio activities or modes?

I am involved with Skywarn and enjoy the weather emergency operations. I am always monitoring.

What piece of equipment is in your station that you couldn't live without, and why?

I would have to say my three mobile units. I still have my original Icom 2100H (HRO Denver) 2004 after licensed. Yaesu FTM200, and my IC718 (HF rig). Fourth radio Yaesu - FTM100.

Is there anything else about yourself you would like to share?

I am always listening and monitoring and live a radio lifestyle. I have two weather radios. It's a great hobby and I like to encourage.



From Freeport Illinois:

### The Friday Night Fun Net with Jimmy Dorsey, KC9GCR

Every Friday at 8PM Central Time  
W9AXD Repeater 146.610 Rockford Illinois  
Live Streamed on the  
Kerry Tatlow YouTube Channel  
<https://www.youtube.com/@ktatlow>

## My First Contest Experience—John NG9M

I do not participate in contesting, it's not my thing. Anyone that knows me knows that I enjoy portable operating. Well, I haven't been able to POTA or portable at all within the past few months. Life was happening, work, kids, after school activities. I haven't been on the air in a few months, and I was starting to miss it. Spinning the VFO, the static, hearing the familiar callsigns. The fact still remained that I wasn't able to go portable at any capacity, I had obligations to stay home.



I was looking at the contest calendar and noticed that the ARRL International DX Contest (SSB) was coming up. The itch to turn on the radio wasn't going away, so I decided that I needed to scratch that itch. So I decided to try something new and take part in my very first contest. I knew I wasn't going to be stacking major points, or being really competitive against others. My only goal for the weekend was to scratch that itch of getting on the radio.

My station was extremely simple. I was using a Yaesu FT-991A at 100w, a tuner, and a Doublet antenna that was fed with 300ohm ladderline. The antenna was cut for 20m (around 16' on both sides). The reason I cut the antenna so short was so I would focus on 20m, 15m, 10m. The logging portion was completely new to me, I did some research and ended up using N1MM. I was able to CAT control the radio and it had a spotting network that I was able to take advantage of for my first contest. Remember the goal was to have fun again, not to score the most points. My initial goal was to have 50 QSOs in the logbook.

Throughout the weekend I was able to hop on the radio and completed QSOs into South America, Caribbeans, Europe, England, Russia, and two QSOs into Africa. I was able to log new countries that I have never even had the opportunity to work before. I dealt with a lot of local RFI issues on 20m, but 15m carried a majority of the QSOs that I made. Overall I completed just over 130 QSO in the log, absolutely surpassing my initial goal of 50 QSOs.

Overall, I really enjoyed that weekend of my time on the air during the contest. If you haven't participated in a contest, do it, don't wait several years like I did. I started out with this article saying "I do not participate in contesting" over the next couple of months I am going to be saying "I participate in contesting".

## How Little Things Can Lead to Big Results—Curt KE9BIQ

When I was young, I talked my neighborhood friend into setting up a telegraph wire between us. As a teenager, my father moved us out into the country, losing contact with my playmate. A return visit later found my friend with a radio shack in his back yard and later in life when entering into a career, he chose to be an electronic technician.

I had wanted my radio license. But learning Morse code was too hard for a shiftless young teenager. I studied electronics on my own off and on until I started my work life. After retiring, I started becoming involved in community life; my faith, service clubs, and civic duty. One organization caught my attention and they had a vast popular support. As I became more committed, I put in time, study, effort.

One evening when the organization's national founder would be speaking in Indiana, our state chairman invited me to ride with him to hear him. Before his talk, we had a light dinner with him and the chairmen from Indiana and Wisconsin. His conversation rambled until I heard, "What are we going to do to keep in contact if our country goes to pieces?" Out of my mouth from somewhere I blurted, "ham radio." He made no remarkable comment that I can remember and we just chatted lightly about it.

Time went by and eventually, I heard of a new committee dedicated to ham radio. There is now a ham radio chapter division on our online communication server. We have regular zoom meetings, recordings, device and comms chat but no national "it just hit the fan" comms method recommended.

Our founder had his tech license before I did so how could I wait? My little blurt set in motion a national chat. A movement with 2.8 million know how crucial ham radio can be.

Curt Conard, KE9BIQ

# The RARA Store—Time for Field Day & Skywarn!

What better way to promote RARA and share your enthusiasm for amateur radio, all while supporting your club and local business! When you shop the online store, RARA receives a commission and you are supporting local amateur radio and repeaters!

Shop the store at [stores.inksoft.com/RARA](https://stores.inksoft.com/RARA)

*CQ...CQ...CQ...Check in to the RARA Store for the latest Skywarn and Field Day gear! All the favorites are still there!*



## Dumb Things Hams Do—Dave W9CJS

1. So I'm a 14 yr old Ham and with paper route money bought a used National HRO receiver in a three foot rack. With it, I listened across all the short wave bands and ran into Radio Moscow at near 12 MHz. On my sister's wedding day, the reception was held at our home. Among the guests was my Uncle Freddie ... who had a mild interest in short wave. As we chatted, he indicated an interest in hearing Radio Moscow, so we disappeared to the basement and played radio. My mother was furious that I invited her brother Freddie down into the basement and away from the Wedding Reception upstairs.
2. I had an RME 45 receiver which was quite a drifter, so I left the filaments on 24/7 but in stand-by mode. Dad :*"David why do you leave that radio on?" "It drifts so badly that by keeping it warm it is more stable. "... "David, how much electricity does it take?" ... "Not much"* (I had no idea)
3. My first rig had a plate current meter that often stuck at zero. To tune, I'd lock the key down and tune for an arc using pencil on the plate tank coil. Then after I thought it was coupled to the antenna I'd run upstairs with a pencil and try to draw an arc from the end of my antenna tethered outside my bedroom window. ZZZAPPP – *"That works fine!"*
4. As a ham I loved CW (couldn't afford parts for AM) so I got pretty good at code, and dearly wanted a Bug mechanism. I couldn't afford one so I fashioned my dad's last, new, hack saw blade into what we call a Cootie Key or a Side Swipper. There was heck to pay when Dad needed a fresh Hack Saw blade and the package was empty. *"David !!!"*
5. My first receiver was a Hallicrafters S-38 ... an AC/DC model, what ever that means. I found out that by reversing the line plug it would no longer shock me.
6. After a Friday night foot ball game several of us went out for the "new" snack called PIZZA. On the way home three friends said they wanted to see my Ham Radio work. So we stopped in and fired up the rig. After a few CQ calls on 20M a Ham in Mexico City returned and we had a nice conversation. Of course, I acted like this was normal ... actually it was my very first DX contact and I was as surprised ... but who's to know.
7. Through High School I dated Benny, a cute little heart throb girlfriend. On one rare occasion Dad let me take his 1937 Studebaker Dictator out on a date. Benny went to Wheaton College Academy some 8 miles away. Since we had a car for a change, we drove around the grounds of her school, but the car stalled ... turns out it was a cracked

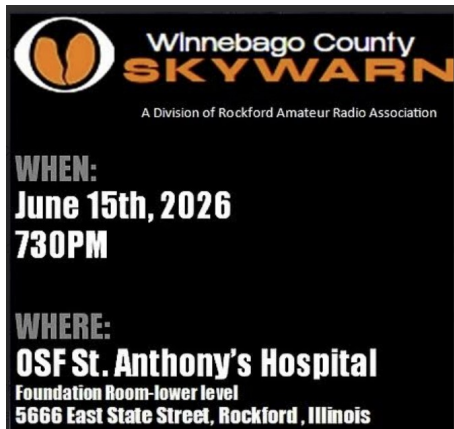
## Dumb Things Hams Do—Dave W9CJS

distributor rotor. We used the school principle's telephone to call a towing company whose driver had to push us to his shop back in Wheaton. His bumper was too high and above my rear bumper so he bashed in the trunk of the car. Was Dad furious!!!

8. I read that folding a ticket, drawn from a container improves the chance that it is selected. So, at the next Hamfest I folded my ticket twice making it three dimensional and easier to pick... and I won the grand prize. My conscience got the better of me so I sent the prize back with an explanation. The club president sent back a nice thank you note.
9. I was given a lollipop style, carbon microphone on a stand. It worked fine, but being me, I decided to experiment. I had removed the paper cone of an 6 inch loud speaker so I glued it to the flat front face of the carbon element. Brother! Did that make a change. People I talked to on 10m could hear cars passing by out front, or hear the upstairs refrigerator start up ... well, almost. I could stand 6 feet away from the microphone and be heard (among lots of other sounds... and oh the echo.
10. The Director of Engineering at DuKane Corp in St Charles was a Ham friend. He hired me to build electronic equipment at the plant, so I became friends with other Hams there and joined in their Field Day activity. It turns out that I, age 17 operated CW well into the night and past midnight, while the Hams drank beer and kibitzed me. My score was almost the entire score for the group.... but did we have fun. I drank Orange Crush.

**DAVE GAUGER**

# Skywarn Severe Weather Training Exercise—Greg KE9OET



Thank you to everyone who participated in the SKYWARN Severe Weather Drill. The exercise was a great opportunity to test communications, reporting procedures, and overall coordination between NCO's and spotters across both Amateur & G.M.R.S. Radio.

Overall, the drill went very well and highlighted the continued progress being made within the organization. Reports were handled professionally, communications remained organized, and the exercise helped reinforce the

importance of accurate and timely weather reporting in support of the National Weather Service Chicago (LOT).

Like any exercise, the drill also helped identify areas we can continue to improve on, including report formatting, net discipline, and operational flow during high traffic periods. These training opportunities are critical as we continue building a stronger and more prepared SKYWARN program for the region.

A huge thank you goes out to all of the spotters and NCO's who took the time to participate and support the exercise. Your dedication and willingness to train is what keeps the program moving forward. Make sure to join us every Thursday evening for our weekly SKYWARN Training Nets; G.M.R.S Net at 7:00 PM and the Amateur Net at 7:30 PM. Also note: SKYWARN for amateur operations has moved to the RARA 146.610 and will use the 147.195 as back-up.



These weekly check-ins are a great opportunity to practice communications, review severe weather reporting procedures, and stay connected with the team. Whether you are new to SKYWARN or an experienced operator, everyone is welcome to participate.

We would also like to invite everyone to stop out and visit us during ARRL Field Day on June 27th & 28th. Field Day is a great opportunity to see Amateur Radio in action, learn more about SKYWARN operations, and meet members of the team.

Stay up to date by visiting [www.WinnebagoCoSkywarn.com](http://www.WinnebagoCoSkywarn.com)

Stay Safe —

Gregory Wernick Jr.  
KE9EOT / WSHY897

## From the Workbench by Larry AC9GO



If there is one thing I reference more than any thing, it is the ARRL Band chart. It lists all the ham bands and gives all the privileges for each class of license. Among the things listed are the privileges for the Technician license for the HF bands. While the ten meter ssb segment is often discussed, very little is ever said about the CW or Morse code segments available. Let me just say a few words about those segments from an old timers prospective.

I come from an age where my first license, the novice license, basically gave you very little outside of CW. Frankly, I think I had something on 2 meters available, but there were no repeaters available at the time, and very few hams that used 2 at the time. It was generally more experimental than anything. As a result I went on the air with CW and my receiver was so bad that my only usable band was 80 meters in a small segment of the CW band. The only good part of my rig was the antenna which was a Hustler 5 BTV vertical antenna which I purchased new for about \$100 at the time, which was over twice what I had paid for my transmitter and receiver together (\$45). I had about 30 or 40 feet of cheap coax that someone had given to me, and that made up my total station. My only radial was the coax that was laid towards the shack in the basement. With this little 60 watts I managed to make contacts all over the US including Alaska and Hawaii, and into Canada and Mexico..

The point is if you have your Tech license, you are not stuck on the repeaters. Here is a little secret, that is little talked about in ham radio. If you memorize the Morse code, you are automatically at 5 words a minute. When I started out on the air, I was at about 5 words a minute. That is what the FCC requirement was for the Novice license was at the time. Most hams on the CW band will slow down for a new ham at five words a minute. The interesting thing about it is the \$150 I had tied up in that station in the seventies in todays money would be about \$1,115. Since electronics are less expensive today, you could buy a much better station today for 50 to 60 % and have privileges 80 meters, 40 meters and 15 meters for CW plus SSB on 10 meters. You might have to wait for a while to get a good deal but it can be done. The other option is buy something like a used IC-7300 for under \$1,000 and put together a end fed half wave for \$25 plus the wire for either 40 or 80 meters. Just add a little coax and a CW key and you are in business for quite a while. Have fun with your radio!

73 Larry AC9GO

## Let's Build!

Many thanks to Larry K9KZT for hosting his annual Swapmeet & Social, securing of the shelter and sharing it with RARA and the Beloit Club for the Balun Build project. Thanks also go to the build team for developing the project, purchasing the supplies, and for their time helping attendees build their projects. It was a great success and lots of fun in spite of all of the mosquitos wanting in on the fun!

Build Team: Chuck WD9BB, Greg K9GJN, Dean K9FLO, Jimmy KC9GOL, Larry AC9GO, and Brian KD9QVB. Below and on the following page are a few pics from the Build Prep and from Build Day—there will also be pics uploaded to the website!



# Let's Build!



See more on [rockfordara.org](http://rockfordara.org)



## Hamfest, Contest and DX Links

hamfests and Swapfests in Northern IL, Northwest IN, and Southern WI **Click the link**

# AMATEUR RADIO EVENTS

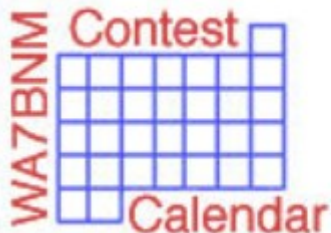


THE HAM RADIO COMMUNITY IN ACTION!

Thanks to K9MSG, Kirk Musselman— [www.amateurradioevents.com](http://www.amateurradioevents.com) or use link above

No more struggling to find local foxhunts, Hamfests, public service/volunteer events and more. **Over 50 events** are all in one place including maps, descriptions, contact links, costs, and more. And, we just added a *Guide for Amateur Radio Volunteers* and a list of worldwide *Amateur Radio History Events* which you can join remotely.

The site will keep updating and expanding to carry more types of events (training, POTA, etc.) so bookmark the site and join us as we bring event organizers and amateur radio operators together to grow the amateur radio community. Please use the contact page to share suggestions, updates, additions, or comments.



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Link to the **WA7BNM Contest Calendar** or go to [www.contestcalendar.com](http://www.contestcalendar.com)

Want to see what's new in the world of DX? Select the link below and make sure you check out the weekly bulletins or go to [www.dxworld.net](http://www.dxworld.net)

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# DX WORLD.net

# Local Ham & GMRS Breakfasts



## WEEKLY FRIDAY MORNING BREAKFAST

Meets every Friday morning from 7:30 am until about 9:00 am.  
We order breakfast at 8:00 am.

An informal gathering of ham folks,  
no affiliations necessary, good food and good  
company.

*Everyone is welcome to attend.*

***“The Spring Garden Family Restaurant”***  
4820 N. 2nd Street  
Loves Park, IL 61111



## MONTHLY SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST

**The Greater Beloit Amateur Radio Club (GBARC) meets  
monthly on the 2nd Saturday  
of the month at 8:00 a.m.**

Denny’s Restaurant  
Flying J Truck Stop (IL 75 & 190/39)  
All are welcome to join the group for food and  
lot’s of “ham” talk.



## BI-MONTHLY SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST



**The Rock River Valley GMRS Breakfast Club meets on  
the First and Third Saturdays each month at 9:00 a.m.**

Mr. C’s Family Restaurant  
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