

WEST VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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SHORT SKIP

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WVARC CALENDAR

Saturday	Oct 3	VE Exam Session	DeVry University 2149 W Dunlap Ave, Phoenix	9:00 AM
Monday	Oct 5	Monthly Meeting	St. Clement Catholic Church Social Hall 15800 Del Webb Blvd, Sun City	7:00 PM
Saturday 2 nd . Sat	Oct 10	Monthly Breakfast	Lou's Tivoli Gardens 14635 Del Webb Blvd Sun City	7:45 AM
Thursdays		Weekly Breakfast	Lou's Tivoli Gardens	8:00 AM
Daily		Call-in Net	147.300 MHz, Tone 162.2 Hz	9:00 AM
Mon-Thur		Call-in Net	147.300 MHz, Tone 162.2 Hz	8:00 PM

PREZ SEZ

Summer is almost over and the Snow Birds are about ready to winter. The WVARC schedule is moving into high gear. In no special order, we have Ladies Night Out, Ham of the year, nominations, elections, December cookie meeting, and THE AUCTION all just around the corner.

Ladies Night Out is always a time for socializing, but also the time to show the 'non ham' wives that we are multifaceted, and fun loving. Food and entertainment is a common denominator.

Although I will not be available next year for office, I will be willing to assist the program chairman with rounding up program ideas. That is just too distracting for our President. We need several other volunteers (a bad word) to keep the effort reasonable. I'm thinking that a few assistant positions would help spread the load, provide more input, and be training for future office holders.

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting, and hearing your Ham stories from the summer.

RETURNING MEMBERS

N8GZ	Ted Drake	Sun City West
N8TNZ	Lee Drake	Sun City West

NO EXPIRING LICENSES

UPCOMING HAM EVENTS

Saturday October 17

Old Pueblo Radio Club Fall Hamfest
7 AM to 12:00 Noon

Location:

Kino Sports Complex
Forgeus Ave & Ajo Way
Tucson, Arizona

Hamfest - Flea Market - VE Testing
<http://tucsonhamfest.com/>

TECHNICIAN LICENSE CLASS

A **Technician License class** will be held each Saturday, from Oct 17 to Nov 21, 2009, 10AM to 1:00PM at the Mesa Community College). To register, call MCC Community Education after Sept 21, 2009. Phone number 480-461-7493, Class # 68696

ARIZONA WORKED ALL COUNTIES

After twelve years of drought, Arizona once again has an Arizona Worked All Counties Award. AZ-WAC, sponsored by the Yavapai Amateur Radio Club in Prescott, Arizona, is honored to be sponsoring this award.

AZ-WAC begins October 1, 2009 and is ongoing. Rules are listed at: <http://www.w7yrc.org/az-wac.htm>

For an application, send an email to: AZ-WAC@W7YRC.ORG Subject Line: Application. Make a contact with each of the 15 counties in Arizona, have your logs verified by two non related, general class or above hams and send your application to Yavapai Amateur Radio Club
ATTN: AZ-WAC
PO Box 11994
Prescott, Az. 86304-1994

ARRL Arizona Section

**Closing date for material for
November Short Skip
Tuesday, October 13 2009
Email: shortskip@yahoo.com**

FCC LICENSE EXAMS

Next exam session at DeVry University Saturday October 3rd. Exams start at 9:00 AM and all tests must be concluded by 11:00 AM. Check-in at the Library on the second floor, southeast corner of the School. Bring photo ID and the original operator license and CSCEs and photocopies of each if applicable. ARRL VEC Exam Fee is \$15 for all elements taken once. An additional fee applies for a retest of any element. Retest is at the option of the VEs. Pay fee by check to ARRL/VEC or exact amount in cash – Volunteer Examiners cannot make change.

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WORLD WAR II ROUNDTABLE MEETING

Please mark your calendar for Friday, October 2, 2009.
Location: American Legion Post 62
Time: 9:00a.m. - 10:30a.m.
Address: 11001 N. 99th Ave, Peoria, AZ

The topic is “The OSS - Dick Tracy Wrist Radio and Walkie Talkies”, presented by Ethel Gross, wife of inventor Al Gross, W8PAL. Al was a member of the West Valley Amateur Radio Club until his death in December 2000.

Just a reminder of the meeting place for this event, at the American Legion Post 62 in Peoria:

Directions:
From State Highway Loop 101 and Bell Road, go 4 miles South on State Highway Loop 101 to Peoria Avenue.

Drive west on Peoria Avenue 0.7 miles to 99th Ave.

Drive North on 99th Avenue 0.7 miles, turn right when you see the American Legion Post.

I would encourage all WVARC Members as well as others to support Ethel's presentation at the American Legion on Friday morning, October 2nd - Thanks in advance.

*Ralph Barr , W0DNO
Past President, WVARC*

ESTATE SALE

If you are looking for radio equipment, contact Stan, K7PLO, to obtain a complete list of the equipment he has. You can also look at our website for the list.

HAM HOME REAL ESTATE (Ad)

Are you or someone you know looking for a Ham Home? I can help you find a home with a tower or one where a tower can be added. Call or email me to get started.

Richard Haworth W7MDQ Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage 602-370-1450 cell, rahaworth@cox.net

WANTED: TEACHERS FOR HAM CLASSES

The WVARC is looking for people to teach the Technician, General, and Extra classes. If you would like to teach one of these classes, please contact Ron Phillips, AE6QU

NEED COMPUTER HELP? (Ad)

Computer consultant: in-home tutoring, problem solving, hardware and software installations, virus detection and removal. Patient, professional with 30+ years in the computer field. Call Larry; KE7JXQ at L.E. Purchase Computer Consultants, Inc. 1-888-922-9295 or 602-863-0502

**Announcing the West Valley Amateur Radio Club's Annual
Ladies Night Out 2009
*Thursday, November 5 2009***

Location: **Lou's Tivoli Gardens • 14635 N. Del Webb Blvd • Sun City, AZ 85351**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM: Social Hour (Cash Bar will be available)
- 7:00 PM: DINNER, with Program to follow.

MENU ENTRÉE CHOICES:

Top Sirloin Steak	Baked Breast of Chicken Lightly breaded, served with a Sherry/Butter sauce.	Baked Fillet of Cod Lightly breaded, served with a Chablis sauce.
Each of the Entrees also includes a Baked Potato, Vegetable, Warm Bread and Salad. Dessert and Beverage are also included.		

(ALL MENU CHOICES COST \$20.00, which includes tax and gratuity)

Questions? E-Mail to Lou Caldwell (louw7hx@aol.com) or phone (After Oct. 10) at 623-583-7974



Name(s) Please Print: Call Sign(s) Telephone #

Entrée Choice	Quantity	Cost	
TOP SIRLOIN STEAK		@\$20.00	\$
BAKED CHICKEN		@\$20.00	\$
BAKED COD		@\$20.00	\$
Total Enclosed:			

Please RSVP by mailing this completed coupon with your check (payable to WVARC) to:

WVARC LNO 2009 • P.O. BOX 1573 • SUN CITY, AZ 85372-1573

We MUST RECEIVE your coupon and payment no later than Wednesday, October 28, 2009

PALO VERDE SIREN TEST

If you are interested in doing the Palo Verde Siren Test please email me, David N7TWT, and I will put you on the list. The night before, on NOV 17th, at 7pm there will be a short NET on the 146.94 to answer any questions that you might have.

We will use the 146.94 White Tanks repeater for talk in and for the exercise. We will meet out at the Buckeye Municipal Airport as early as 7am at the APS Hangar but you need to be there by 9:30am. The Airport is just 1/4 miles South of I-10 on Palo Verde Rd on the West side of the road. If you are coming from the Sun City Area then you can take Bell Rd. West behind the White Tank Mountain and the road is called Sun Valley Parkway. It changes to Palo Verde Rd below I-10. There will be refreshments provided by APS. You will need to sign in and you will have time to get to know other hams.

Around 10:30 am the Teams will meet up with the APS team leader and you will be escorted out to your siren. There are 47 siren arranges according to where the population is located in 10 one mile rings around the power plant. If there was an actual problem, the sirens could be turned on according to the wind direction.

As you get to your assigned siren check in with Net Control to let him know that you are in place by telling me your siren number and what team that you are on. The sirens will be set off 2 times. Once at Noon and again at 12:30 pm. If your siren did not turn on, then you need to let Net Control know. Some on from APS may go by to check it out before the second time.

There is some simple paperwork to fill out and your APS Team Leader will drive by your location and lead you back to the Buckeye Municipal Airport. APS does not want anyone to come back on their own because of the possibility of getting lost and they want to make sure everyone is off of the desert safely.

Once you are back at the Airport you need to check in and turn in your paperwork and there will be a nice catered lunch and a small gift of appreciation given to you by APS. You should be finished by 1 pm.

I have been a HAM for 18 years and this is my 16th siren test. As you can imagine I really enjoy doing this and it is a lot of fun meeting other Amateurs in person and doing public service. *David Morrill, N7TWT*
