

# NARS NEWS



The Northwest Amateur Radio Society

Houston, Texas

January 2011



## January Meeting

### Annual Banquet

The registration desk is now officially closed. We have a total of 76 who have signed up for the banquet.

Thanks to all who will be attending. Your support of the organization is greatly appreciated. For those who have not yet sent in their checks, please make an effort to do so. We will accept your payment at the banquet, if necessary; however, paying up before the event sure does make our job easier.



Here are the details:

- **Where:** Wunsche Bros Cafe, 103 Midway, Old Town Spring
- **When:** Friday evening January 21st, 2011 - 6:30 to 9 pm.
- **Adult beverages:** Available at additional cost.
- **Menu:** Country Style Buffet consisting of chicken fried steak, fried chicken, veggies, beer bread, salad and dessert.

Thanks again, folks. See y'all on the 21st!

## Important Dates

**Friday, January 21th, 7:30 PM**  
Annual Banquet

**Saturday, January 22nd, 2010 8:30 AM**  
VE License Exam Session  
Tomball Community Center  
S. Cherry & Market streets  
(just South of Main)

**Tuesday, January 25th, 7:30 PM**  
Board of Directors meeting  
Ponderosa Fire Station  
17061 Rolling Creek drive.

**Wednesday Lunch Bunch - North**  
Marco's Mexican Restaurant - Jan 19th  
Spring Creek Barbeque - Jan 26th  
Pei Wei Asian Diner - Feb 2nd  
Cafe Express - Feb 9th  
Jason's Deli - Feb 16th  
Baker St. - Feb 23th

**Wednesday Lunch Bunch - West**  
Please contact Mark Tyler K5GQ for details.

**Wednesday Lunch Bunch - Medical Center**  
Southwell's Hamburger Grill - Jan 19th  
Marco's Mexican Bar & Grille - Jan 26th  
Silver Palace Chinese Buffet - Feb 2nd  
Pappas Barbecue - Feb 9th  
Morningside Thai - Feb 16th  
Pronto Cucininio - Feb 23rd

**Draggers Lunch Bunch**  
11:00 am, Aviator's Grill, Hooks Airport

**Notice:** NARS membership dues are \$20 per year, renewable on anniversary.

**Deadline for articles to appear in the newsletter is the last day of this month.**

## **BREAKFAST**

*at Denny's*  
**7720 Louetta Road**  
**Saturdays**  
**7:30 AM**

# Highlights of the NARS December Board Meeting

Here are the highlights:

- The Treasurer's report was presented and approved by the Board.
- Joe KD5KR reported that the reservation count for the coming Awards Banquet now stands at 58. Since the cutoff number is 80, members are urged to sign up prior giving the Café a final count. The Board finalized the banquet agenda.
- No VE session was scheduled for December to avoid any conflict with the year-end holidays.
- Keith NM5G stated that plans for the coming code session were making progress. He expressed interest in the new Begali CW Machine as outlined in the January issue of QST. He will conduct further research into this device to see if it will be an asset in our code class.
- Tom Atkins KD5EIJ commented that the Show-n-Tell program at December's meeting went very well. We had an attendance count of well over 50. He also noted that this was the last board meeting for the 2010 Board.
- Members interested in the financial & general operation of NARS are urged to attend the board meeting held the last Tuesday of each month. Your participation and comments are always welcome.

## VE Session Notice

*Keith Dutson - NM5G*  
*NARS VE Session Manager*

The next session will be held Saturday, January 22 at 8:30 a.m. at the Tomball Community Center, located at the corner of Market St. & S. Cherry St.

Official address is 221 Market St.. Parking is in the rear (south side) of the building. Use the entrance on the S. Cherry St. (west) side of the building.

VE's are invited to meet for breakfast at Denny's in Tomball, 14010 FM 2920, 281-290-7035, at 7:00AM.

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## Houston Amateur Radio Supply hosts Annual Mfg. Day!

George DiLetto of Houston Amateur Radio Supply will be hosting the annual Manufacture's Day open house on Saturday, January 22nd. Those who have attended this event in the past know that the hot dogs, chips and soft drinks are always available at his events, and better yet, it costs you nothing! Got something to sell or trade? Set up your tail gate, trunk or whatever and start weelin' and dealin' in the parking lot. As a bonus, here is your chance to see who can "out-fish" the other when it comes to landing that elusive DX. Worried about the weather? Who cares! Grab a kolache and hot coffee at the Donut Shop a few doors down and your ready to face the elements.

Need more info?

- Saturday, January 22 – 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- 267 Cypresswood Drive,  
Exit 68 at I-45, (west side of I-45 near the Super Target store)
- Phone: 281 355-7373

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Exit 68, I-45 North	800-471-7373
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# Welcome, Congratulations, and Condolences

Welcome new members Lance Rumfield WD5X, Debbie Rumfield N5DSR, Ray Polman KC5DAT.

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10-Meter Ragchew: Mon 8:00 PM,  
28.444 MHz

2-Mtr Wed. Night: 8:00 PM, 146.06/66  
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### REPEATERS (KA5AKG)

2-m: 146.06/146.66 MHz Tone: 141.3  
70 cm: 444.375/449.375 MHz Tone: 103.5

### MEETINGS

#### Monthly General Membership

Third Friday each month at 7:30 PM  
Cypress Creek Christian Community  
Center, 6823 Cypresswood Drive

#### Saturday Breakfast

Denny's, 7720 Louetta, 7:30 AM

#### Wednesday Lunch 11:30 AM

Various locations (Info on 146.660 and  
listed on front page in *Important Dates*  
section)

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