

The Northwest Amateur Radio Society

Houston, Texas



October

## "It's a Trap"

NARS October 18, 2013 meeting. "It's a Trap". Deral Kent, Terry Myers and Brad Nelson will be building a set of antenna traps before our beady little eyes and will attempt to show/explain how they work in terms of apples and oranges instead of nuclear physics and external exponents. There will also be tools, meters, antenna analyzers and components to make circuits to find the resonant frequencies of the traps and tune to them to different parts of the spectrum. Don't miss this practical and informative presentation.

# Changing of the Guard: Wayne Green, W2NSD - sk

#### Joe Sokolowski KD5KR

The changing of the guard in amateur radio continues with word of the passing of one of the hobby's true legends. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the story of the life and legacy of Dr. Wayne Green, W-2-Never-Say-Die:

One of the people who truly changed the face of ham radio in both the 20th and 21st centuries has gone to his final reward. This with the sad news that Dr. Wayne S. Green II, W2NSD, of Hancock, New Hampshire, died September 13th at the age of 91.

Dr. Green was an outspoken figure during his many years writing about the hobby. His public career really began with a five year stint at CQ Magazine in the 1950's before founding 73 Magazine in late 1959. While at the helm of 73 he often used the title of El Supremo and Founder of the magazine which he published until 2003.

Over the years Dr. Green was known for many things. He traveled the world and did his best to introduce ham radio in developing nations. He was one of the earliest supporters of emerging modes such as RTTY, FM and repeaters and even started the first ham radio digital communications magazine. And as each new technology came along, there was W2NSD as its point man urging all of us to embrace the same dreams that he had. Be it ham radio, personal computing, the Compact Disc or numerous other technologies, there was Wayne Green urging anyone who would listen to give it a try.

But what Wayne Green, W2NSD, will likely best be remembered for was his editorials. He wrote over a thousand of them covering everything from giving his personal support to even the most mundane aspects of our hobby to alternate science such as his belief in producing energy through cold fusion. (cont. next page)

## **Important Dates**

Friday, October 18th, 7:30 PM Monthly club meeting.

#### Saturday, October 26th, 8:30 AM

VE License Exam Session Tomball Community Center S. Cherry & Market streets (just South of Main)

#### Tuesday, October 29th, 2013, 7:30 PM

Board of Directors meeting Ponderosa Fire Station 17061 Rolling Creek drive.

#### Lunch Bunch - North

BJ's Restaurant & Brewery - Oct 16th Gianna Italian Kitchen - Oct 23rd Spring Creek Barbeque - Oct 30th Pei Wei Asian Diner - Nov 6th Panera Bread - Nov 13th Jason's Deli - Nov 20th

#### Lunch Bunch - Medical Center

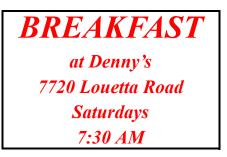
Morningside Thai Restaurant - Oct 16th Pronto Cucinino - Oct 23rd Jason's Deli - Oct 30th Buffalo Grille - Nov 6th Southwell's Hamburger Grill - Nov 13th Marco's Mexican Bar & Grille - Nov 20th

#### **Taildraggers 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 00newsletter is the last day of this month.



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# W2NSD - sk

The list of what he wrote about goes on and on. It took a lifetime for him to write and for many of us; it took a good part of our lifetime to read. And in the process his zest for life and commitment to ham radio and technology changed both for the better.

On his blog, Dr. Green left a short note for all of us. It was his final entry. Please permit me to read it to you as it sums up the life of the man as he saw himself:

The wall clock clicks out the seconds With so many yet ahead, I've ignored them A battery keeps the clock going I wonder how my own battery is doing?

The one with the most toys wins Awash in toys, I'll pass on. What did I win? Now what happens to my toys?

I'll leave books, records, tapes, and photos By the thousands A lifetime archive Worthless to anyone but me.

Pictures of family and friends Treasured books and music The mileposts of my life All will be headed for the trash heap.

Like my father, grandfather, and great grandfather I'll be another gravestone

In a northern New Hampshire cemetery

And the world will carry on as if nothing had happened.

I have no complaints

I've enjoyed the world and helped it a bit What would I change if I could do my life over?

Get a thick pad and I'll make a list.

73 Wayne. We will see you once again on the other side of the great ethereal abyss.

# VE Session Notice

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

Saturday, September 21 VE Test Session Results at Tomball Community Center

We had 4 candidates taking 5 tests.

- Element 2 tests given: 3; passed 3
- Element 3 tests given: 1; passed 1
- Element 4 tests given: 1; passed 1

Congratulations to:

- David Light new General
- Valentin Luca KF5YDO upgrade to Extra
- Alessandro Sardo new Technician
- Brett Dearman new Technician

Thanks to the VE's in attendance:

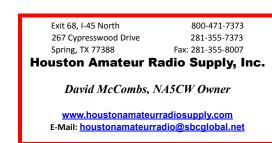
- Ron Horton KF5LFL
- Skip Ferguson K5LRR
- Louis Cabezas K3BQ
- Martin Rogoff N5GPS

The next session will be held Saturday, October 26 at 8:30AM at the Tomball Community Center, located at the corner of Market and South Cherry Streets.

Official address is 221 Market Street. Let me know if you would like to serve at this sessio.

Parking is in the rear of the building. Use the entrance on the south side bordered by Fannin Street.

Anyone who wants to observe and/or participate in a session is always welcome. Just let me know if you want to learn more about becoming a volunteer examiner.



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### Welcome, Congratulations, and Condolences

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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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