



The Spirit of '76 and '88



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Newsletter of the Lake Erie Amateur Radio Association

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Editor: Ken Kane, KG8DN



September 27 at Dimitri's
Field Day
VIDEO REVIEW
by **KC8FOC**
LEARA topic for discussion

“What did we do? Where did we score? How can we improve?”

These and other questions will be addressed and discussed at the LEARA meeting at Dimitri's Restaurant on Tuesday, September 27. The restaurant is located in the Mid-Town shopping center northwest of Snow and Broadview Roads in Parma. “I'm bringing videos,” says John Radney, KC8FOC, “and I want to know what you think!”

**On Tuesday, September 27,
dinner will be served at 6:30 PM and the
formal meeting will begin around 7:30 PM.**

**Also in this September Issue, see
BIOGRAPHIES
of candidates for election to the LEARA
Board of Trustees in October.
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Meetings are open to all interested persons. You may attend without eating, but reservations are required if you do wish to eat. Restaurant service is available only for those present who purchase dinner. If you are attending the meeting only, kindly purchase beverages at the bar and bring them to your table.

This month the dinner menu alternatives will consist of Chopped Philly Steak, Foster Lager Cod (Fried), or Chicken Marsala for \$16. Another alternative of a vegetable and pasta dish may also be requested.

The dinner includes a salad, main course, dessert, coffee or iced tea, and gratuity. (Note that bar service and soft drinks are not included.)

PLEASE NOTE!

**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY
11:00 A.M. OF THE MEETING DATE.**

Please call in your reservation and your menu choice to Marv Grossman, W8AZO, at
440-248-0031.

You can also visit www.leara.org and make your reservation through the club's website. -AR-

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Marv, W8AZO and Jeff, N8YNR

Fall is my favorite season of the year, for a whole bunch of different reasons. The weather is cooling off, it's more pleasant to spend time outside (yes, I know, you need a jacket - so what?) Mother Nature is preparing her annual fiesta of color, and around my house, we're starting to 'nest'. I'm working on my fall projects to get us ready to be housebound for a few months. The children are back to school for another year, we're settling into the routine again, and spending more time at home rather than out running around. All in all, it's a time for family, before the hectic rat race of the holidays is upon us. I guess it just suits me.

September, as always, brings us the Cleveland Hamfest. I always end up spending money on something, but that's not really why I go. I've been licensed for over 30 years now, and as my wife likes to remind me - I know EVERYBODY. Having been involved in most of the clubs in the area at one point or another, it seems like I can't walk 10 feet without running into someone I know. THAT's what I LOVE about the hamfest - you don't get that kind of friendliness, camaraderie, or whatever you want to call it, on a net, or via email. There are quite a few people that I only see once a year, at the hamfest, but it's the thing I most look forward to at the 'fest.

I missed LEARA's August meeting, but reports I've heard say that Gary, WA8TJL, did a bang-up job of presenting some of the upcoming changes in aviation communications. I'm sorry I missed it. September's meeting will be a look back at Field Day 2011, courtesy of John, KC8FOC. I don't know if you noticed John stalking people with his camera at Field Day, but I'm sure there are going to be a few 'candid camera' moments in his presentation. For those of you who were at Field Day, come out for a different perspective, and for those of you who weren't - come see what you missed!

I want to take a moment to thank the Bylaw Revision Committee - Mike, K8EHP, Bryan, N8OOF, Jeff, N8YNR, Tom, KA8BZB, and Bill, K8SGX. At the trustees

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The Lake Erie Amateur Radio Assn., Inc., **LEARA**, is a not-for-profit [501(c)(3)] organization dedicated to Amateur Radio and Public Service. Club information packets and applications for membership are available from **Marv Grossman, W8AZO, 440-248-0031**, or may be downloaded from our web site at www.leara.org. Annual membership is \$25.00. **LEARA's address** is: LEARA, PO Box 22823, Beachwood, OH 44122-0823.

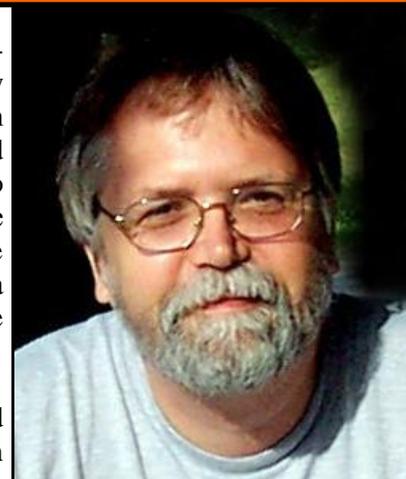
LEARA is an **ARRL**-affiliated club. When you **join or renew** the **ARRL**, **LEARA** benefits monetarily if you so through the club. Send **ARRL** Applications/renewals to Club Treasurer Dave Foran WB8APD, 5439 Nan Linn Dr. Willoughby, OH 44094-4365. Make the check payable to **LEARA**, not the **ARRL**.

Membership Meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month except December at Dimitri's Restaurant, 1830 Snow Rd., Parma, OH (in the Mid-Town Shopping Center, just west of Broadview Road). Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are open to all interested persons. You may attend without eating, but **reservations are required** if you do wish to eat. Call **Marv Grossman, W8AZO at 440-248-0031** to leave a message.

Trustees' Meetings are on the second Saturday of odd numbered months at 9 AM in a first floor room at the Highland Hills Village Hall, 3700 Northfield Road. Meetings are open to all current members of LEARA.

The Prez Says

by Alex Manuk, WD8JMM



Fall Calendar

September 25, 2011	Cleveland Hamfest—Berea	Bob W2THU	W2THU@ex100.com
September 27, 2011	LEARA-Dimitri's (Field Day Report)	Marv W8AZO	MarvG@roadrunner.com
October 14, 2011	SSTV Net Resumes at 7:30 PM, '88	Terry, K8TJM	TJMcCann@windstream.net
October 25, 2011	LEARA-Dimitri's (Election & SSTV)	Marv W8AZO	MarvG@roadrunner.com
October 30, 2011	Massillon Hamfest	MARC	http://www.w8np.org
November 29, 2011	LEARA-Dimitri's (Holiday Party)	Marv W8AZO	MarvG@roadrunner.com



THANKS TO WA8TJL LEARA Meeting on August 30

Preparing the country for a 50% increase in air traffic by 2025 means giving pilots and controllers “more data and less talk,” explained Gary Zimet, WA8TJL, at the August meeting. The acronym pea soup will get a big charge of ADSB, ASDE, RNP, RNAV and SWIM.

To catch a review and a sense of Gary's great talk and videos, click the following link and help yourself. Thanks very much, Gary! -AR-

www.faa.gov/nextgen



Volunteer Exam Dates and Locations

from www.arrl.org

09/18/2011 | [Elyria OH 44035-1343](#)
Sponsor: Lorain County ARA Red Cross
Location: American Red Cross
Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

09/25/2011 | [Berea OH 44017-2524](#)
Sponsor: Hamfest Assoc of Cleveland
Location: Berea Public Library
Time: 2:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

09/25/2011 | [Newton Falls OH 44444-1639](#)
Sponsor: Warren ARA
Location: Newton Falls Community Center
Time: 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

10/01/2011 | [Ravenna OH 44266-2708](#)
Sponsor: Portage County ARS, Inc
Location: Center of Hope
Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

10/14/2011 | [Cleveland OH 44106-1712](#)
Sponsor: W8EDU
Location: Case Western Reserve University
Time: 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

10/16/2011 | [Elyria OH 44035-1343](#)
Sponsor: Lorain County ARA Red Cross
Location: American Red Cross
Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

10/18/2011 | [Akron OH 44314-3614](#)
Sponsor: Pioneer AR Fellowship
Location: Akron Baptist Temple
Time: 6:15 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
[Learn More](#)

Upcoming Hamfests and Conventions

from www.arrl.org

09/18/2011 | [GCARA Hamfest](#)
Location: Cincinnati, OH
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Greater Cincinnati Amateur Radio Association
Website: <http://www.gcara.org>
[Learn More](#)

09/18/2011 | [Adrian ARC Hamfest](#)
Location: Adrian, MI
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Adrian Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.adrianhamfest.com>
[Learn More](#)

09/25/2011 | [EmComm East Convention](#)
Location: Rochester, NY
Type: ARRL Convention
Sponsor: Monroe County ARES, Inc.
Website: <http://emcommeast.org>
[Learn More](#)

09/25/2011 | [Cleveland Hamfest and Computer Show](#)
Location: Berea, OH
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Hamfest Association of Cleveland
Website: <http://www.hac.org>
[Learn More](#)

10/23/2011 | [26th Annual USECA Hamfest](#)
Location: Sterling Heights, MI
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Utica Shelby Emergency Communication Association
Website: <http://www.usecaarc.com>
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10/30/2011 | [Massillon Hamfest](#)
Location: Massillon, OH
Type: ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Massillon Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.w8np.org>
[Learn More](#)

LEARA "On The Air"

Club Net Information by David Noeth, KD8ACO

A special thank you goes out to Leone, KB8VBR, and Bill, N8UPZ, who each took a turn as Net Control for the Thursday Club Net during this past month. Their assistance and willingness to serve is greatly appreciated.

Also, the Friday SSTV Net will resume its weekly schedule starting on Friday, October 14, 2011, at 7:30 PM. Please get in contact with me at kd8aco@leara.org, if you are interested in participating and/or assisting with this net.

Wednesday Skywarn Practice Net

Skywarn practice nets have returned on the 146.76 (- offset, 110.9 PL) repeater and will continue on Wednesday nights at 8:00 PM local time until the last week in October. Everyone is welcome! The 146.88 (- offset, 110.9 PL) repeater is used as a backup. Skywarn nets may be activated on one of these repeaters anytime threatening weather is approaching.

Thursday Club Net

The Lake Erie Amateur Radio Association's weekly club net is held every Thursday evening at 8:00 PM local time on the 146.76 (- offset, 110.9 PL) repeater. This is an open and informal net intended to provide the opportunity to test radio equipment, promote fellowship among local amateur radio operators, and develop radio traffic handling skills. You do not have to be a member of LEARA to participate.

Since the club net is a practice and informal net, LEARA would like to recognize those who take the time to check in and keep the net active and alive. During the past month, the weekly Thursday Night Club Net had a total of sixty-nine (69) check-ins from thirty-five (35) different stations. The following were reported by our net control stations to have participated:

Bill AC8CO, Bill AC8IH, Clyde AE8C, Phil K3PJ, John K5JDW, Arp K8ARP, Bruce K8CSI, Mike K8EHP, Jeff K8JTK, Steve K8SAS, Bill K8SGX, Terry K8TJM, Fritz K8WLF, Lilly KB8MHZ, Leone KB8VBR, Carl KB8VXE, Mark KC8FQV, Joe KC8RAN, Marc KC8SIE, Jeanne KC8TJH, Eddie

KD8FTS, Leon KD8NVX, Mark KD8OLG, Steve KD8OLH, Keith KD8PHL, Ken KG8DN, Mike KG8MTG, Tom N8UAZ, Bill N8UPZ, Simpson N8UZF, Jeff N8YNR, Justin W1IX, Ted W8IXY, John WA8LGM, and George WD8GEO.

Net Control Stations: Ken KG8DN, Joe KC8RAN, Leone KB8VBR, and Bill N8UPZ.

Upcoming NCS assignments are:

9/22/11	Eric	N8AUC
9/29/11	David	KD8ACO
10/6/11	Joe	KC8RAN
10/13/11	Bob	W2THU
10/20/11	Ken	KG8DN
10/27/11	Bill	AC8CO

The feedback received from members regarding the Thursday Club Net promotion has been very encouraging. This promotion encourages participation in both the weekly club net, as well as, the monthly LEARA membership meetings. Specifically, any individual who checks into the Thursday Club Net during a given month will be given one extra door prize ticket at the following month's LEARA club meeting. This extra door prize ticket will be given in addition to any other door prize tickets the individual has already been given. Participation in only one net during the preceding month is required. Participation in the monthly meeting is obviously required.

Friday SSTV Net

The Lake Erie Amateur Radio Association's regularly scheduled weekly slow scan TV net will be held on Friday evenings at 7:30 PM local time beginning on October 14, 2011 on the 146.88 (- offset, 110.9 PL) repeater. Please refer to Terry, K8TJM, McCann's "SSTV Friday Night Net" article later in this issue (see page 9) for more information.

Wanted! Net Control Stations

We now have six Net Control Stations for the Thursday evening LEARA Club Net. There's always room for more stations who would like to give it a try. Any member of the Lake Erie Amateur Radio Association can be a net control operator for one or all of the nets held on one of the club's repeaters. Please send me an email at kd8aco@leara.org, if you are interested. Hope to talk with you "on the air" soon! **-AR-**

Biographies—Trustee Election

D. Michael (Mike) Cegelski, K8EHP



My name is D. Michael (Mike) Cegelski, Amateur Extra Class licensed continually since 1956 with the callsign K8EHP. I am active on 160 meters (sans 60 meters) through 70 cm, AM, SSB, CW, PSK-31, FM and SSTV. I'm a life member in the ARRL and am a member of other Amateur Radio organizations in the area. I enjoy Field Day and volunteering, especially Public Service events.

I've been an active member of LEARA for many years including serving on our Board and as a Vice President. I enjoy serving in these capacities and look forward to your vote which will allow me to continue serving you. I can be reached at k8ehp@roadrunner.com or (216)252-6640. 73 and TNX.

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Eric Jessen, N8AUC



Eric Jessen, N8AUC is a candidate for re-election as a LEARA trustee. First licensed as KA8A-KY in 1978, he originally became a member of LEARA in 1979. After a 30 month period living in St Louis, he rejoined LEARA upon returning to Cleveland in 1985. Eric holds an Amateur Extra Class license (since 1992) and currently serves as the Vice-President and License Trustee for LEARA.

In 2009, Eric became the ARRL-appointed Emergency Coordinator for the Cuyahoga County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). In that role he organized and helped provide the Amateur Radio Support for the 2009 Burke Airport Mass Casualty Drill, and the 2010 National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) drill.

His many accomplishments on behalf of LEARA include: serving as the organizer and recruiter for many of the areas public service events - including River Run, he represented LEARA on the 2007 ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention Organizing Committee, helped found LEARA's participation in the annual ARRL Field Day, helps out with the annual Cleveland Triathlon and the MS150, and participates in Cuyahoga County Skywarn.

Eric also was part of the team that brought IRLP to the 146.88 repeater. Most recently, he was instrumental in securing a new home for the 146.76 repeater.

Eric holds a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from Case Western Reserve University, class of 1983. He is married to Robin (KC8AWO), and has three daughters. Eric is currently employed as a Senior Consultant at CGI Federal, where he spends far too many hours writing computer software to analyze health insurance claims data.

-AR-

Jeffrey Kopcak, K8JTK



My name is Jeffrey Kopcak. My call sign is K8JTK and I live in Westlake. I am running for re-election.

I got interested in amateur radio at a young age through my father, Tom N8ETP. I passed both the Novice and Technician exams right before my sophomore year of high school in 1999. I upgraded to General and Extra in 2008.

Currently, I'm a Graduate Student at Cleveland State University pursuing my Masters in Business Administration. I graduated from CSU in 2008 with a degree in Information Systems & Technology. I attended Bowling Green State University as an undergrad. I work at The Sherwin-Williams Company headquarters in Cleveland, Stores Information Technology department. My hobbies and interests include computers, music, television production and of course amateur radio.

I have been a member of LEARA since I received my Technician license. Other clubs I'm involved with: ARRL, Life member. Wood County Amateur Radio Club, Webmaster (even though I've returned to Cleveland). The College Amateur Radio Club (College ARC). Dayton Amateur Radio Association (sponsors of Hamvention). Though no longer a member, I was a founding member of The Wood County ARES group.

In addition to being very active in these clubs, I am involved in amateur radio in other ways as well. After I passed my Extra exam, I became a Volunteer Examiner with the team at the Elyria Red Cross. When D-STAR first came to Cleveland, I was one of the early users of the system. I am one of the go to people when someone is interested or getting started with D-STAR. I partici-

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pate in public service activities such as the two day Pedal to the Point event and Skywarn.

My contributions to LEARA include developing, implementing, and maintaining the club's new website at www.leara.org. Using my Linux experience, I took an interest in troubleshooting the problems with IRLP. Recently, I've been coordinating and working with various individuals to get the IRLP PC installed on the new .88 machine. I am active on the repeaters during evening drive time and participate in the Skywarn and LEARA nets.

As a re-elected trustee, I will continue to remain active in LEARA, amateur radio, and serving the community. I sincerely appreciate your vote. Thank you for your time.

-AR-

Jim Ozello, N8XDO

The ability to assess problems and offer solutions is demonstrated by my experience in:

LEARA:

- Member for 17 years;
- Trustee for ten years;
- Amateur Extra License

- Vocational Carpentry and Electricity Teacher in Cleveland Public Schools, 30 years

- Member of Teacher's Union Conference Committee, seven years

- Judge and referee in US Roller Skating Association, 12 years

- Worked communications in Marathons, Westlake Soccer Tournament, Breast Cancer Marches, Scull Races and Pedal to the Point.

Personal History:

- Married 53 years
- Five children
- Retired 13 years

-AR-

John C. Radney, Sr., KC8FOC

LEARA Trustee

License Classification: General

Amateur since 1996 under the present call, KC8FOC

LEARA member since 1997

Resident of Warrensville since 1976



Occupation: Realtor, Owner of Radney Security Co., est. 1991
Father of 4, Grandfather of 8

Having the passion for Amateur Radio, I enjoy sharing it with everyone.

To me Amateur Radio is a part of my daily life; it opens avenues of conversation that brings a network of friends.

I encourage all and especially today's youth that outside of the internet, cell phones, and other electronics there is a World awaiting, thus Amateur Radio.

I have enjoyed being a part of LEARA and have contributed to events as Hamfest, Field Day, Disaster Drills, Marathons, and many other functions.

Also as Ambassador of good will it is an Honor to serve in that capacity.

If re-elected, I will continue to serve with your concerns and uphold the duties entrusted to me. .

Sincerely,
John, KC8FOC

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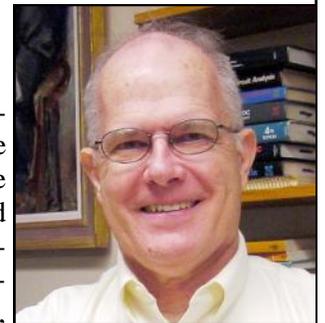
Bill Schultz, AC8CO

Bill Schultz (AC8CO) is a newcomer to amateur radio -- he obtained his Extra Class license in December of 2008 and joined LEARA shortly thereafter. Bill likes new stuff: Computers, radios, TV technologies,

cell phones. He doesn't hang on long to the old stuff or old ideas unless they merit consideration in the context of modern technology. Bill is an engineer. His career spans many decades where he plied his skill mostly to computers and microprocessors, solving problems ranging from health care to ship systems control. This RF stuff is definitely new to him; he is enjoying the challenge!

As your possible choice to become a LEARA trustee, Bill's interests will be on fairness and process -- a sound and just set of bylaws for example, and on pushing LEARA's deployed technologies (repeaters, etc.) toward a cutting edge that is consistent with legal and budgetary considerations. Hams are or should be experimenters. This experimentation should include both operational and technological components.

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Bill's other qualifications include long service with the IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers) of which he is a Life Senior Member. Bill has served on Local, Regional, National, and International programs of this organization. His local work included many years on the Executive Committee of the Cleveland Section IEEE where he has served in all offices: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. The Cleveland Section's annual budget is approximately \$5000 per year. He was also elected "Engineer of the Year" and honored with the "IEEE Third Millennium Medal" in the year 2000.

Presently, Bill teaches at the Case Western Reserve University Department of EECS (Electrical Engineering and Computer Science) where he also helps the undergraduate Ham Club (W8EDU). Bill lives with his wife Marilyn in Beachwood. **-AR-**

Minutes of the Lake Erie Amateur Radio Association Board of Trustees (Subject to Revision) (10 September 2011 at the Highland Hills (Ohio) Village Hall, 3700 Northfield Rd.)

Minutes of the Meeting

Trustees present: W2THU, W8AZO, KC8FOC, WA8TJL, KD8ACO, WB8APD, K8SGX, WD8JMM, K8JTK, N8XDO, N8YNR, KG8DN, N8OOF, N8AUC.

Trustee excused: K8EHP Guest: KA8BZB

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 0900.
2. Corrections to Previous Meeting's Minutes – There were no corrections to the previous minutes.
3. Treasurer's Report – WB8APD reported that there are adequate funds in the treasury and

that all bills are paid and all checks are deposited.

4. Membership Report – W8AZO stated that we have 199 active members.
5. LEARA Participation at the Cleveland Hamfest – LEARA will have a table at the Hamfest located near other club tables. W8AZO, WA8TJL and others volunteered to setup and man the table. However, LEARA is not manning the talk in station this year.
6. Nominations Committee Report – It was reported that all of the incumbents are running plus an additional candidate.
7. Programs for 2011 – The September meeting will be a presentation by John Radney, KC8FOC, on Field Day and the October meeting will be a presentation by Terry McCann, K8TJM, on slow scan TV.
8. Survey/Questionnaire Update – WD8JMM stated that he and Kelly, KC8UIX have assembled the survey and it is ready to go, unless someone wants to add more questions. None were offered.
9. Technical Committee Report (including 146.88 rebuild status) – K8SGX reported that he would like to install the new 146.88 repeater in a month. He would like to put the 220 meter repeater in the same cabinet if it fits. Codes for net mode, weather mode, and weather standby mode for the 146.76 repeater were given out.
10. Status of streaming audio from D*Star Network – WB8APD is ready to set this up.
11. By-Laws Revision Committee Report – N8YNR gave a one hour PowerPoint presentation explaining all of the proposed changes to the bylaws. He explained that the committee attempted to accomplish the following goals. A) streamline the bylaws, B) remove duplication, C) make the bylaws conform to the way we have been doing things and D) separating the bylaws into more logical groups. He

Trustee Minutes, cont.

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handed out a copy of the present bylaws and another copy of the proposed bylaws. It is expected that the trustees will study these changes and vote on them at its next meeting, and then present them to the membership for its approval. KA8BZB offered his own version of proposed bylaw changes in a one page hand-out.

12. The meeting was adjourned at 1205.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert M. Winston W2THU
Recording Secretary
-AR-

The Prez, cont.

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meeting on the 10th we were treated to a presentation of changes proposed by the committee, and it looks like they're doing a great job of tuning up our bylaws. With luck, we'll be afforded the chance to see the finished product at September's meeting, and vote on adoption in October.

Which brings me to the next topic — October is the Annual Meeting. Yes, it's elections, but it's also the meeting at which we try to conduct all the 'official business' of the organization, before we start a new year. If you have things which should be discussed, please contact one of the trustees, or plan to be at the meeting yourself. Remember, it's YOUR club, and you CAN influence how things happen with it. Speaking of that - don't forget to VOTE for your favorite trustees - there are six candidates for 5 positions this year, so it's important to make your desires known. We'll be doing electronic balloting again, just like we did last year, but paper ballots are available for those who can't vote electronically.

Last but not least, THANK YOU to the teeming millions who helped with LEARA public service events this year. You know who you are, and we wouldn't be the organization we are without you. The public service calendar is winding down for this year, but keeps those HT batteries charged 'cause you never know, do ya?

73 for now,

Alex WD8JMM
-AR-

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SSTV Friday Night Net to Start Up Again Soon by Terry McCann, K8TJM

Hello to all LEARA members. I hope everyone has had a nice summer. The wife and I had a very pleasant summer and are **first time grandparents** as well. **Samantha McCann** was born on 8-26-2011 @ 12:19AM.

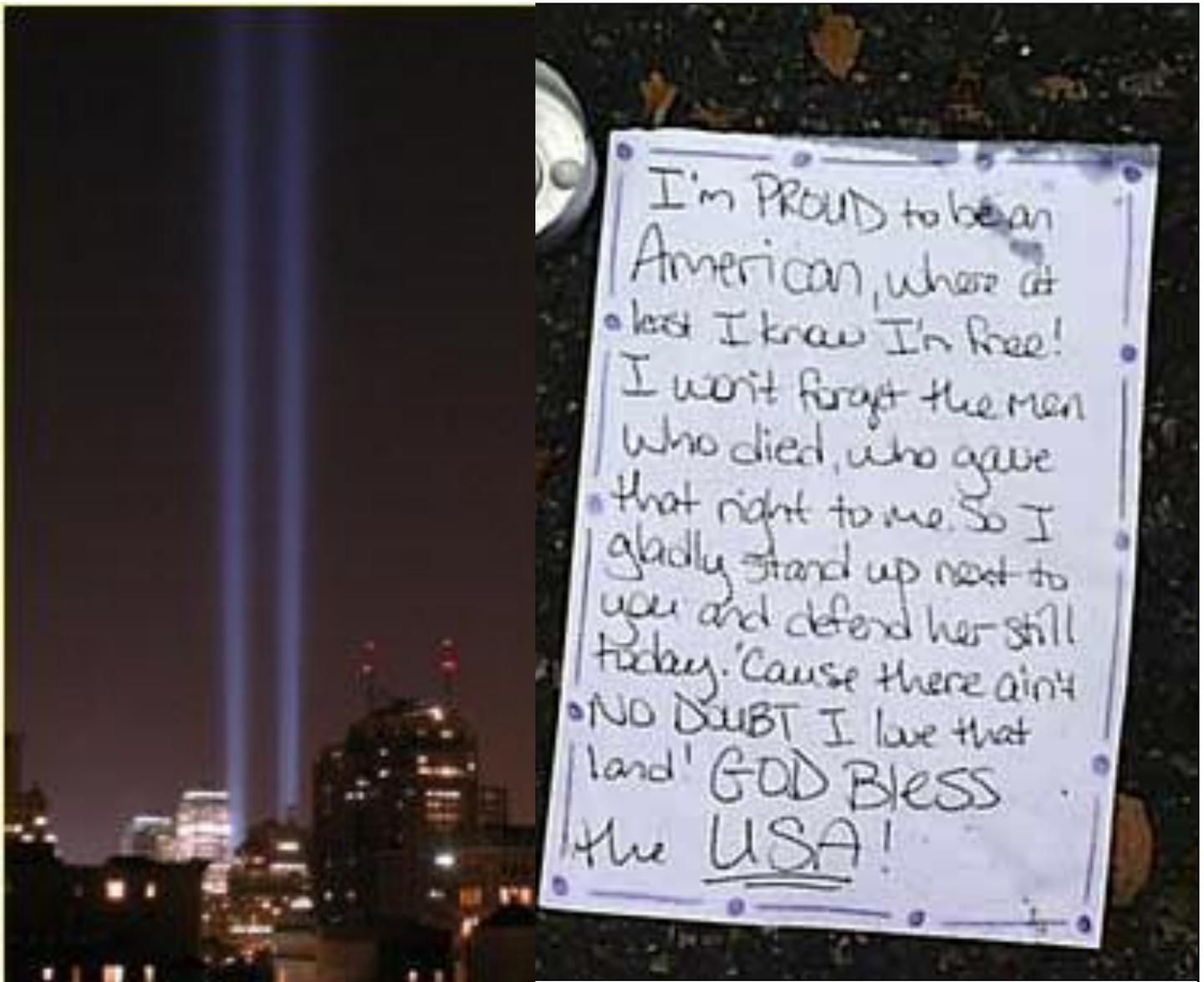
**The first SSTV net for the fall will be on
Friday, October 14th at 7:30PM.**

I am looking for a few volunteers to help me with a program called EasyPal: <http://www.kc1cs.com/>

EasyPal is a digital SSTV program. There are some nuances to the program that need to be understood (picture size can affect TX times) for example. I'm going to try to get up and running as best I can but it may have a few bumps in the road, in the beginning, should we decide to use it. The one amazing thing about the program is that the pictures (when RX accurately) come through with no noise – even on HF!

If anyone would like to help me test, **please email me at tjmccann@windstream.net** - I have flexible hours so we can test during the day as well. That's it for now and I hope to see everyone again in October.

Terry McCann, K8TJM
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LEARA — The Lake Erie Amateur Radio Association

- 42 Years of Serving Greater Cleveland Since 1969 -

VOICE REPEATERS:

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| 146.76/R- | • Highland Hills (Requires 110.9 Hz tone) |
| 146.88/R- IRLP | • Lakewood (Requires 110.9 Hz tone) IRLP Node 4282 |
| 224.90/R- | • Lakewood (141.3 Hz tone) |
| 444.40/R+ | • Macedonia (Requires 131.8 Hz tone) |
| 444.70/R+ | • Lakewood (131.8 Hz tone) |

PACKET NODES: CLE1 145.01 MHz: CLE5 145.05 MHz: CLEV220 223.70 MHz

These nodes are part of the Cleveland Net Cluster in K8EIW's backbone system.

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