
SARA NEWS

Schenectady Amateur Radio Association

P.O. Box 449

Schenectady, NY 12301

A Message from the President

Hello Members,

I hope that the holidays were good for you and your family. Did you get any new gear? Maybe you will put it to use in a contest, maybe I will hear you on DMR. Maybe there will be another mode that you are interested in.

There are a few contests that I am going to try to have some fun with: the VHF contest and Winter Field Day. The SMARA club will be on the air for Kids Day, which is the first weekend in January. Planning is already in progress for the warmer Field Day. I am sure that Tim W2UI could use your input.

I have noticed that the repeaters have been quiet as of late. Please use them. When folks are traveling in the area they might have the radio in scan mode. You might make a new friend.

I always welcome input from everyone. Let's make 2019 the best year for ham radio!!

73 de N2PEQ
JR Hotaling, N2PEQ
SARA President



<https://clipartfest.com>

SARA General Meeting Monday, January 7, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

**“Text communication before email, texting, or
the internet: *Radio Teletype*”**

Abstract: Dean will share his passion for the teletype

Speaker: Dean Poeth

Dean Poeth, K8TM, has been a licensed amateur radio operator since 1974. Early in his career he was the Chief Engineer at WRFD radio, a 5,000 watt commercial radio station in Columbus, Ohio, where, among his other duties, he maintained the station's Associated Press Wire Service Model 15 teletype.

Currently he is an adjunct professor at Clarkson University. Dean recently retired from Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory, where he was a subject matter expert in operations research and productivity improvement.

Happy New Year from SARA!!

Cancellations:

If Niskayuna High School cancels evening classes and activities the SARA meeting will also be cancelled. See the website below for school closing information.

www.niskyschools.org

Public Service Events

None till Spring

Thank You to All Who Have Helped With Public Service Events in 2018...

See You in 2019

The SARA board did not meet in December, 2018

- 、 **SARA Yahoo Group**
Visit the club's YAHOO group:
<https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/sara/info>

SARA Website
Visit the club's website:
<http://www.k2ae.org>

For Sale:

Hallicrafters SX99 in nice shape, original. and it works fine. \$100.

Radio Shack DX302 clutch slips on preselector, otherwise in nice shape and it works fine. \$75.

Call Mike Lukas WB2TTV phone 518-346-3620

Field Day Trailer needs to be replaced

The SARA board needs your suggestions on how to raise funds to purchase a new (or gently used) trailer for our field day operations. Please contact a board member with your suggestions. To replace the current trailer with a new unit of comparable size, the cost will be about \$3,000.

Topics for Future SARA Meetings?

Your suggestions are welcome!!

If you have a topic that you would like to present, or know of someone who could present a topic of interest to the club, please contact:

Jim Silva, KC2ZVK at jsilva.ny@gmail.com.

SARA YouTube Channel

Did you miss the "**Who Invented Morse Code**" presentation by Dr. David Hochfelder at the September, 2016 meeting? Head over to our YouTube Channel and watch it ("control-click on the link):

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-IWKY0pj__cPdkq17dCJMQ

This Week in Amateur Radio (TWIAR)

Looking for something to do on a Saturday night?

Tune in to This Week in Amateur Radio on the K2CT repeater (145.190) on most Saturday nights at 9PM. This Week in Amateur Radio is a weekly news bulletin service dedicated to news and information useful to the amateur radio community. Along with the news, special segments air regularly that may be of interest to amateur radio operators. Some segments of interest include the Gateway 160-meter net report, the Random Access Thought, the Ancient Amateur Archives, and the technology report.

SARA News Editor Position Open!!

We need a new **SARA News Editor**. **If you can use a computer and word processing software, you are qualified!**

Please contact a Board Member for more information about this important (and fun) job.

K2AE Repeater Guidelines

K2AE Repeaters are open and visitor friendly.

1. There will be a control operator monitoring at all times. If there is no control operator, the repeater will be unavailable. (97.103 and 97.105)
2. Control operators will not discourage anyone from using the repeater.
3. Conduct on the repeaters should be governed by common sense and courtesy. Conversations should be in plain language and suitable for all listeners. (97.112 and .113)
4. No commercial business use is allowed.
5. Pause a few seconds between transmissions. The repeater will recycle. This gives a chance for other users or emergency traffic to call in. (Give even a longer pause in Winter.)
6. If someone calls "Break", operators will yield the frequency for emergency traffic. Yielding to a "breaking" or new station is common courtesy. New York State and Federal law prohibit interference with emergency traffic.
7. Operators are encouraged to use simplex whenever possible. Operators are encouraged to use the minimum power necessary to maintain clear contact, i.e. 50 Watts or more is not appropriate in close proximity to the repeater when 1 or 5 watts achieve full quieting. (97.313)
8. Use of the repeater for non-SARA public service events is prohibited unless permission from the Trustee is obtained. Please forward requests to: w2sfd@arrl.net.
9. In the event of an emergency (SKYWARN, flooding, weather conditions or other emergencies) control operators will turn the repeater on if it is down.

Coming Soon...SARA ONLINE SURVEY

We are setting up an online survey to find out what you think or would like to see in the future for SARA. Check your email inbox soon for a link to the survey.

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Public Service Events

Schenectady County ARES
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VE Team

Vacant - Please consider volunteering for this position

FCC Exam Registration

Phone: (518) 604-4128

Schenectady County Emergency Net

Schenectady County ARES members act as Net Control Stations for the Schenectady County Emergency Net (SCEN) on Sunday afternoons.

Emergency Coordinator: James MacMurray - N2UZQ

Day of week	TIME	FREQUENCY	MODE
Every Sunday	1:00 PM	444.200	K2AE Repeater
Every Sunday	1:30 PM	147.060	K2AE Repeater
1st Sunday	2:00 PM	3.953	LSB
2nd Sunday	2:00 PM	52.525	FM Simplex
3rd Sunday	2:00 PM	146.435	FM Simplex
4th Sunday	2:00 PM	28.350	USB
5th Sunday	2:00 PM	TBA	TBA

The nets are open to all amateurs. ARES RACES membership is not required to participate. The purpose of the nets is to train, pass any traffic that you might have, and any announcements of general interest.

SARA Needs You!!

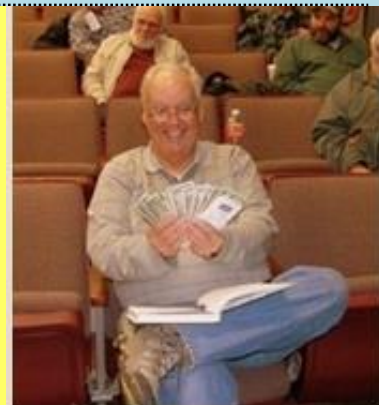
If you have any articles, information, tips, tricks or items for sale you would like to include in the SARA Newsletter, send an email to saranews@k2ae.org with the subject "SARA Newsletter Ideas". Please include your full name and call sign.

Do you know why "Dues are Gladly Accepted"?

Because it makes Tim happy!

SARA DUES REMINDER

Have you paid your dues yet? The SARA membership year runs from July to June and the 2018-2019 dues are due. Please use the form on the last page or see Tim, W2UI, our Treasurer at the next meeting.



SARA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Dues are gladly accepted (Please print legibly)

New Member

Renewal

Donation to the Repeater Fund. Amount: _____

Membership Class:

Full (Licensed Amateur) - Dues: \$20.00/year

New Member Initiation - \$5.00/one-time fee in addition to Full dues

(Initiation fee is used to fund the Henry Primm Broughton Memorial Fund)

Spousal - Dues: \$5.00/year. Call sign of regular member: _____

Student (K-12 and full-time undergraduate college) - Dues: \$5.00/year

Call Sign (if licensed): _____ License Class: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

(Newsletters will be distributed via email unless otherwise specifically requested)

Are you a member of ARRL ARES RACES NTS

Please use a separate form for each member at your address.

Make checks payable to: Schenectady Amateur Radio Association

Mail your check and this completed form to:

Schenectady Amateur Radio Association

PO Box 449

Schenectady, NY 12301

You may also bring this form and your membership dues to the next SARA General meeting.

Directions to First United Methodist Church, Schenectady

Parking lot address is 610 (*Google shows it as 650*) Chapel Street Schenectady NY 12305
Chapel St is a One Way street from Nott Terrace to Lafayette Street. If this lot is full, park across the street. Enter the building through double doors, take an immediate right, go through another set of double doors, turn right then left and the Fellowship Hall is on your right (follow signs).

From the East (Colonie, State St Rt 5)

Turn Right onto Nott Terrace then take your first Left onto Chapel Street. Parking lot is on Left.

From the West (Scotia, Glenville, Eire Blvd)

THERE IS NO LEFT TURN FROM STATE STREET TO NOTT TERRACE

Take State St (Rt 5) to Lafayette St and turn right then immediately turn Left to continue up State St. At Veeder Ave (Traffic Light) turn Left. Cross over State St (Rt 5) then take the first Left onto Chapel St. Parking lot is on Left.

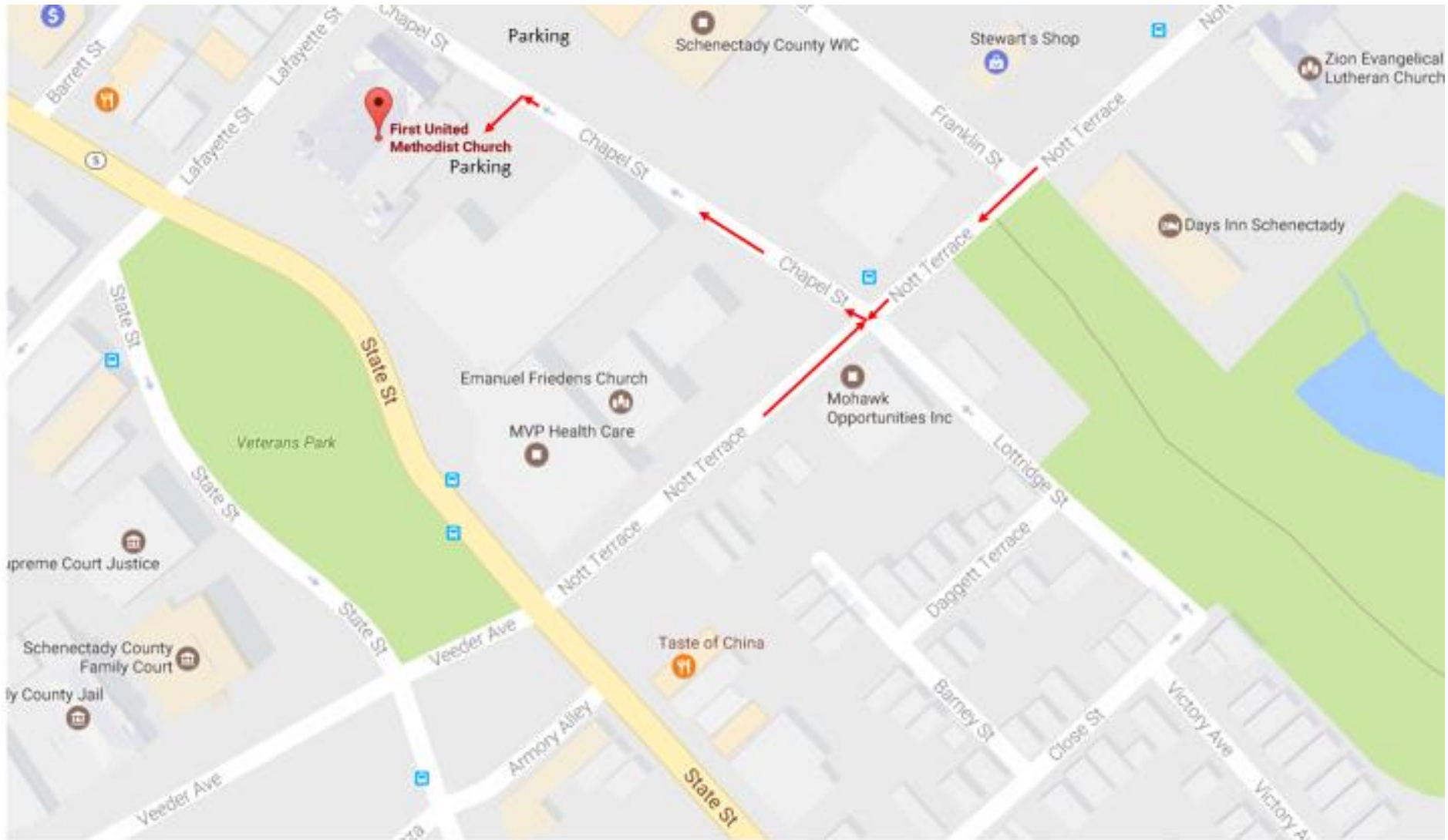
From the South (I-890 Exit 5, Broadway, Rotterdam)

Take Broadway North to Millard St and turn Right, First Traffic Light. Millard St becomes Veeder Ave at Hamilton St (Schenectady FD on Left). Continue over Veeder take first left after State St onto Chapel St. Parking is on left.

From the North (Union Collage, Niskayuna, Union St)

From Union St, take Nott Terrace South and turn Right onto Chapel St. Parking lot is on Left

See Map on Next Page



Map of Meeting Location