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President's Message

Happy spring, everyone! As I write this, I am thinking about our successful flea market, but, more important, the spirit of volunteerism displayed by the FARA members to make it happen. Planning the flea market is one thing, but actually making it happen is another, and I applaud all of you, who, if even in a small way, contributed to make this possible. Your efforts are very much appreciated!

It appears that opposition to House Bill HR 607 is gathering steam, not only from the Amateur Radio ranks, but also from other emergency communications organizations which recognize the importance of retaining the ham portion of the 440 mhz. band. It is NOT too late to write your congressman a letter. Go to www.arrrl.org for more info. There is a sample letter where all you have to do fill in your congressman's name and address (also supplied on the website!) and your name. That's it! Mail it to the ARRL lobbying firm as shown and you're done. It takes a whole ten minutes and a 44 cent postage stamp and it will make a difference in retaining the 440 ham band.

Our meeting this coming Thursday, April 7th at 7:30 PM at the Framingham Police Station will feature Tom Kinahan, N1CPE on Winlink 2000. Come and learn something new at the general meeting!

73, Gordy K1GB

2011 FARA Scholarship

Open to any high school senior who will be attending college the next academic year or anyone currently enrolled in a college program.

Any applicant with an Amateur Radio license will receive preference. Non licensed relatives of FARA members will also receive consideration.

Membership in FARA is not required.

All applications must be postmarked by April 15. Contact Richard Cosma, AA1VI at scholarships@fara.org for an application or more information.

Submitting Material to the Circuit

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FARA Horizons

April: Tom, N1CPE on Winlink 2000
May: Post Flea Market Pizza Party
May 7-8: New England QSO Party
June: Eric K1NUN on Stealth Antennas

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Meeting: Club meetings are normally held on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30PM in the Framingham Police Station

Club Nets: FARA Net: Sunday, 7:30PM, 147.75/147.15 - social/chat, ARES preparedness

Club Station: W1FY, the club station and shack, is open Saturday mornings from 8:30-12:00. Call the club number, 508-879-8097 to confirm.

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