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President's Message

Welcome to FARA's 75th season! This is indeed a special year for all of us at FARA! We have a great line up planned, but it's YOUR participation which makes it successful! Make the commitment to attend the monthly meetings for both educational and social reasons; you'll be glad you did! If you haven't been to a meeting in a while, please join us! We have many talented individuals, and we are here to serve YOU! If you want to initiate a program or activity, by all means do!

We have many ideas brewing for our Diamond Jubilee; one is to have a contest for the best FARA 75th Anniversary logo. This logo will be put on a shirt we will have for sale, as well as a pin which can be fastened to the current FARA membership badge. It will be a special collectible to be sure! Our 75th Anniversary will culminate in June with a grand celebration open to present and past members of the club and their families.

If you have any ideas to contribute to our 75th season, by all means, let me know. Our first meeting will be on Thursday, Sept. 6. Our speaker will be our ARRL Affiliated Club Coordinator, Phil Temples, K9HI. Phil's presentation will be on HandiHams.

Phil has been involved with HandiHams for many years, and, in fact, has been recognized by Boston College for his dedication and hard work to the organization. You can learn more about HandiHams by going to <http://www.handiham.org/> and <http://www.arrl.org/news/features/2007/06/26/01/>. There is also an article about Phil's recognition by Boston College at <http://www.arrl.org/?artid=7516>.

Let's get our Diamond Anniversary off to a great start by having a big turnout at our kickoff meeting!

73, Gordy K1GB

FALL UPGRADE CLASSES

Have a Tech license ? Want to upgrade?

Come to W1NXC's "CRASH" course

Have a General license ? Would like

To upgrade ? Come to Extra "CRASH"
Course.

Schedule: Extra-Sat am 9-12 noon
 Sept 22, Sept 29, 2007
 General-Sat am 9-12 noon
 Oct 20, Oct 27, 2007

All classes at Club location, Framingham. No fee or text required.

The club has just purchased the latest copy of the ARRL Antenna book for use by members. It's a great reference book and source for antenna information.



Handi-Hams

Our speaker for the September meeting will be Phil Temples, K9HI about the Handi-Hams organization. From there

website www.handihams.org here is their mission statement and contact information.

Our Mission

The Courage Handi-Ham System provides tools for people with disabilities to learn Amateur Radio and technology skills, and to earn their Amateur Radio licenses.

We are Courage Center's HANDI-HAM System. We teach technology to people with physical disabilities and sensory impairments. Ham radio, computing and more can be learned at home through the use of cassette tape books, or at one of our residential camps. Perhaps you are teaching a class in amateur radio to blind students. We have books on tape!

One question that is often asked is, "Do I qualify for membership?"

That depends on your disability. In gen-

eral, we serve people with physical disabilities and/or sensory impairments, such as blindness. Please contact us if you have any question about whether you can benefit from our services.

Contact

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(763) 520-0577 Be sure to put "Handihams" in the FAX address!

FARA Horizons

- Sept: Paul Wade, W1GHZ renown microwave expert
VE Session Sept. 12
- Oct: Phil Temples, K9HI on Handi-Hams
- Nov: Art Greenberg, K1GBX, new Eastern MA Section Manager
- Dec: Rick Zach, K1RJZ on 6 meter repeater network in NH and MA
- Jan: Show and Tell Night/QLF Contest
- Feb: Bill Ricker, N1VUX on VHF propagation
- March: Mark Rubin, WB1ARZ and John Ruggerio, N2YHK from W.E.C.T (Worcester Emergency Communications Team).
- April: TBD/Flea Market
- May: Pizza Party after Flea Market
- June: TBD/FARA 75th Anniversary Bash!

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Shopping Online?

Use fara.org/amazon and help out the club. FARA receives a small percentage of your order.

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- Repeater (voluntary) \$10

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Meeting: Club meetings are normally held on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:30PM in the basement of the Danforth Museum, on Lexington St.

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, 879-8097 to confirm.

Club Web Site: <http://www.fara.org>