

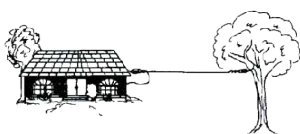
PUMPKIN PATROL 2012

The 2012 edition of the Pumpkin Patrol will be held on Tuesday October 30th and Wednesday October 31st at a number of local overpasses above the New York Thruway. Volunteers are needed to watch over those locations to help prevent any incidences involving objects being tossed



over the bridges causing possible injuries or death to those traveling along those stretches of road.

If you wish to volunteer during the evening hours of October 30 & 31 from 6-10 pm please contact Karen Smith at ksmithkb2uuc@aol.com.



KEN "CHIEF" DAVIS, KB2KFV/SK



Kenneth T. Davis, Jr., KB2KFV, former Green Island Chief of Police, died Monday, September 3, 2012 at the Samaritan Hospital in Troy after being stricken ill at his home. A native and lifelong resident of Green Island, he was son of the late Kenneth and Muriel O'Donnell Davis. He was a graduate of St. Joseph's School in Green Island, LaSalle Institute in Troy and Hudson Valley Community College. Ken started his career in law enforcement as a dispatcher for the Green Island Police Department. He followed in his father's footsteps becoming a patrolman in 1974, sergeant in 1981 and served as chief from 1992 until retiring in 1996. Ken was a communicant of the former St. Joseph's Church in Green Island, a member of the Troy Amateur Radio Association, where he served as past

president and on the board of directors. He was a member of the NYS Chiefs of Police, the NE Chiefs Association, the Watervliet Lodge of Elks, the Cohoes Loyal Order of Moose, the Sons of the Legion in the Legnard-Curtin Post, the American Radio Relay League and was a member and past president of Chapter 8 of the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club. Ken was married for 32 years to his best friend and soul mate, Marilyn Knapp Davis; brother-in-law of Linda and Jim O'Brien. Ken is also survived by his best friend, Steve (Rita Patrick) Watson; his caregiver, George DeLong; his dog, Sable and several cousins, nieces, nephews and godchildren. Funeral services, led by Father Thomas Kelly, will be held on Friday at 11:30 a.m. at the McNulty Funeral Home, 147 Hudson Avenue, Green Island. Interment will follow at St. Agnes Cemetery in Cohoes. Calling hours will be on Thursday from 4 to 7 at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested contributions in memory of Ken be made to either the Troy Amateur Radio Association or the American Cancer Society, in care of the funeral home.

**NOBLE LAUREATE
AND HAM
ENTHUSIAST TO
SPEAK AT SIENA**

**AMATEUR RADIO WEAK
SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS
WILL BE TOPIC**

On Friday, October 12 the Albany Amateur Radio Association is hosting Joe Taylor, K1JT, Astrophysicist, Noble Prize winner for discovering a new type of pulsar, inventor of JT65, WSPR and

WSJT digital modes. JT65 is probably the hottest new mode for hams right now. These modes allow communications below the noise level. The Program will be held at Roger Bacon Hall, (the Key Auditorium) on the Siena College. Doors open at 6PM, there will be coffee, soda and water provided by the college. This is a FREE event, there is seating for 150 persons. The topic will be Advances in Weak Signal Communications and will be almost entirely Amateur Radio Based. This is really a bonus for the capital district hams. Siena College is really excited. --John Fritze, K2QY



Joe Taylor, K1JT

SKYWARN TRAINING

On Friday, November 9th the Albany Amateur Radio Association is hosting John Quinlan from the National Weather Service who will give Winter SkyWarn training. This program will be at our regular meeting location, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave, Delmar NY. Doors open at 7PM with coffee, soda, water and other refreshments. The 90 minute course will begin at about 7:30. If interested, I urge you to go on line to sign up. --John Fritze, K2QY



<http://tinyurl.com/98bdfn6>

2012 ARRL HUDSON DIVISION AWARD RECIPIENTS

Amateur of the Year



Rich Cetron, K2KNB

Grand Ole Ham



Sid Wolin, K2LJH

Special Service Award



Len Signoretti, N2LEN

CONGRATULATIONS!

EDITORIAL FROM APRIL 2007

THIS IS JUST AS CURRENT AS IT WAS THEN

It's hard to believe that sixteen years have passed since we all gathered in the living and dining rooms of Bill Eddy's House back in 1991 to discuss starting our own amateur radio club in Troy, a new kind of club which has its roots in Friendship and Family, not in Roberts Rules, Politics and Cliques. To this very day, our club has stood by those standards and flourishes at over 100 members strong, from the original founders of 13 members. Our Motto, Keep it Simple and always Take Care of your Friends.

I remember spending many an evening meeting, sitting in Mr. Bill's driveway, with everyone bringing their own beach chairs and we all sat there with a bottle of soda and a snack and laughed and shared stories, jokes and got a lot of stuff done because we all good friends. Sure it was a club, but that was secondary. We were all just friends having a good time and those of us that are still around remain friends, today. When you stop to think, our Club has made one heck of a journey from 1991 to 2007.

Ken Davis – KB2KFV

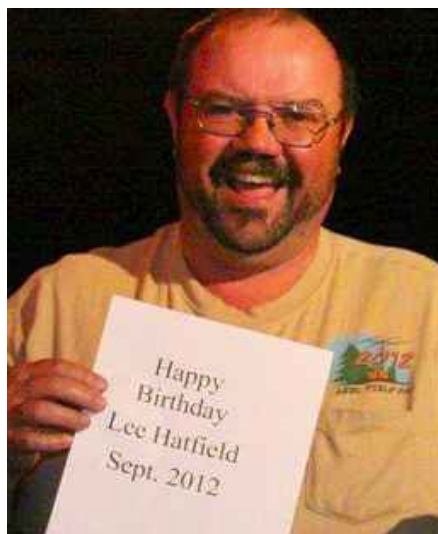
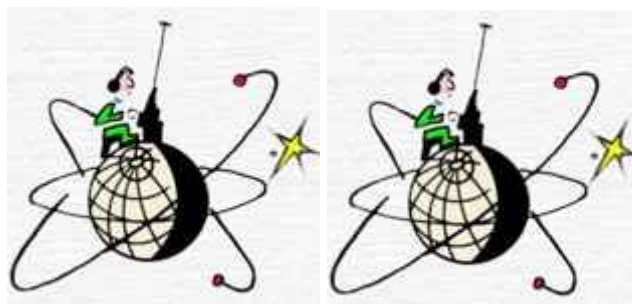


SCENES FROM STEVE BOZAK'S ANNUAL HOUSE PARTY, 9/21/2012



WINTER STORM CENTRAL		WINTER STORM NAMES 2012-2013	
ATHENA	HELEN	ORKO	VIRGIL
BRUTUS	IAGO	PLATO	WALDA
CAESAR	JOVE	Q	XERXES
DRACO	KHAN	ROCKY	YOGI
EUCLID	LUNA	SATURN	ZEUS
FREYR	MAGNUS	TRITON	
GANDOLF	NEMO	UKKO	

Winter Storm Names - A New Concept



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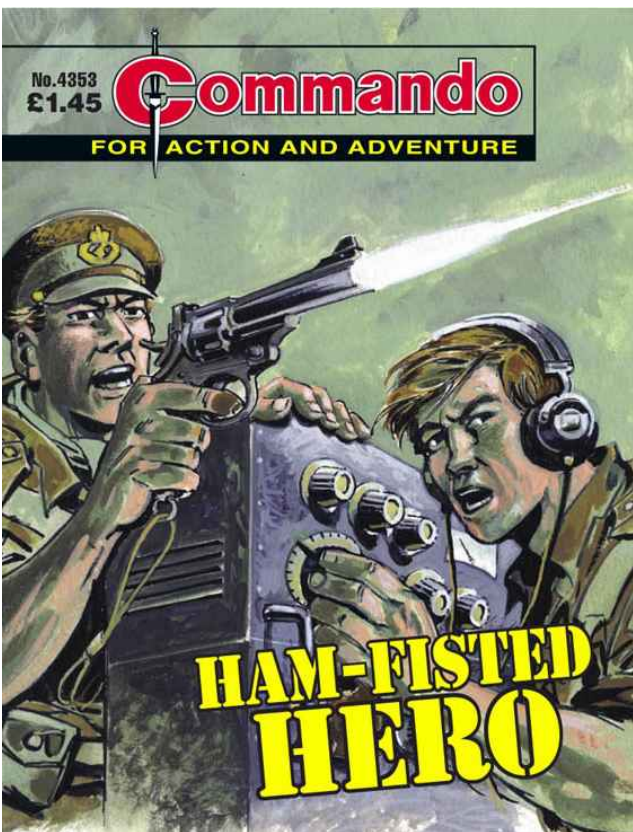
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HAM RADIO COMICS



Pluggers have to wait for the tubes in their radios to warm up.

