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ANTENNA MODELING SOFTWARE TO BE FEATURED AT FEBRUARY MEETING

The [next KARS meeting](#) will be held on Tuesday, February 4th, at 7 P.M. in the first floor meeting room of St. Mary's Hospital. Following a brief business meeting, Ken W9IE will present a program on antenna modeling software.

KARS FEBRUARY PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

Ken W9IE and Don K9NR

BY POPULAR DEMAND! The Ken & Don Program Team will Present ['EZNEC, Antenna Modeling Software.'](#)

When interviewed by the KARS Newsletter Editorial Staff, Ken W9IE Stated: "I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT EZNEC." Ken asked Don K9NR: "CAN YOU HELP? DO YOU UNDERSTAND EZNEC?"

Don replied: "NOPE, NOT ME"

So with all the club members excited about an "EZNEC" program, a program was created...Don't miss:

"EZNEC BY W9IE & K9NR."

NOW SHOWING AT YOUR FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING.

ARTICLES NEEDED

KARS newsletter is only as good as the articles submitted by KARS members. Let us know what you are up to. Send us a picture and/or a few words.

NCS FOR FEBRUARY

February 3 N9LYE
February 10 N9RJM
February 17 N9OE
February 24 N9FD

Don't forget the net!

Mondays at 2100 hrs. local time



John N9LYE making a point during December meeting presentation on Winlink

KARS KALENDAR

Feb 4	.....	KARS General Meeting
Feb 8-9	.....	CQ World Wide WPX RTTY
Jan 26-Feb 20	.....	FT5ZM Amsterdam Is DXpedition
Feb 18	.....	KARS Board Meeting
Feb 15-16	.....	ARRL International DX CW
Feb 21-23	.....	CQ 160 Meter SSB
Feb 22-23	.....	NAQP RTTY
March 4	.....	KARS General Meeting
March 1-2	.....	ARRL International DX SSB
March 2	.....	Sterling Hamfest
March 18	.....	KARS Board Meeting
March 15-17	.....	BARTG RTTY
March 29-30	.....	CQ World Wide WPX SSB

The Kankakee Area Radio Society operates repeaters on:

146.34/94 107.2 PL Access

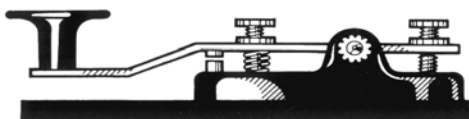
449.8/444.8 114.8 PL Access

145.130 107.2 PL Access

Additionally, KARS sponsors:

144.39 2 Wide Area APRS digi-peaters

145.53 KARS DX Cluster



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EMILY KC9ELV SK

It is with deep sadness that we report the passing of KARS member Emily KC9ELV. Emily was the beloved wife of KARS former president Bill N9OE.

Emily was an active participant in KARS functions, She hosted the annual KARS bike ride at her home in Custer Park. Emily volunteered her time working at KARS-FEST, and enjoyed attending Foxhunts.

She was a good friend to many of us and always had a beautiful smile for everyone she met. Emily you will be missed.



EMILY KC9ELV - SK

KARS BANQUET

KARS annual banquet was held at the Homestead Restaurant on January 19th. There were 36 in attendance, who enjoyed the food and good company. Pictures will be in next month's newsletter

BOARD MEETING

The next [KARS board meeting](#) will be held on Feb. 18th at [Beggars Pizza across from Olivet University](#). Parking lot in rear of building.

All KARS members and spouses are welcome to attend.

Eat at 6:00. Meet at 7:00

It's time to plan your Dayton agenda!

KARS HOMEPAGE— WWW.W9AZ.COM —KARS HOMEPAGE

KARS ELECTION RESULTS

KARS 2014 election of officers was held at the December meeting. The results were:

- Don K9NR President
- Harry WD9FYF Vice President
- Ken W9IE Secretary
- Francis KE9MG Treasurer
- Paul W9IEY Board
- Rollie N9RJM Board
- Carl K9CS Board
- John Norton N9LYE Board
- Bill N9OE (retired president) Board

Several other members who are key committee chairmen also serve as board members as needed.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- February 3 K9XI
- February 4 K9QT
- February 8 KM9Z
- February 14 KC9QXV, K9BAC
- February 15 NI9H
- February 20 N9LYE

Let the newsletter editors know if we miss your birthday or get it wrong

MEETING PROGRAMS

If you have an idea for an interesting club meeting program or have a suggestion for one, please let Don K9NR or Harry WD9FYF know.

A good program really makes for a good meeting! So what's your idea for a good program?



KARS car fox chastises Don K9NR for yawning.



Paul W9IEY secured a KARS Car Fox for our Foxhunts. [David Bruce Auto Center](#) was kind enough to donate the fox. Look for the fox at [KARSFEST](#) and KARS sponsored foxhunts.

KARS is an ARRL Special Service Club. Your ARRL membership is current isn't it?

TEST SESSION RESULTS

The [Iroquois County Amateur Radio Club](#) held a testing session in Watseka on Jan 25. Thirteen applicants took a total of 24 exams, resulting in 4 new Techs, 4 new Generals and 2 new Extras.

Newly licensed Technicians are Sean Mossman of Kankakee, Wesley Allen, Lafayette, IN, Gary Brill and Richard Mertens, both from West Lafayette.

Upgrading to General were Daniel Focken KC9ZLQ, Watseka, Andrew Davis KC9TNQ, Lafayette, and Mathew Amore KD2CMJ, Howell, NJ. Davin Huston, no call, passed both the Tech and General tests.

New Extras are Ed Mossman, KC9YGZ, Papineau and Nicholas Hyer, N9SJA, Lafayette.

Participating Volunteer Examiners were Tim, W9TRF, Troy, W9KVR, Mike, KC9HHT and Carl, K9CS. Janet, KC9LBZ, who is not a VE also helped.

Carl K9CS

2014 DUES ARE DUE

If you were unable to pay your dues at the annual Banquet, be sure to get them to Francis KE9MG at the earliest opportunity.

- Dues remain unchanged:
- Regular: \$30
 - Family: \$40
 - Student: \$15
 - Senior: \$15
 - Disabled: \$15

Active military dues are waived

**Pictured at left and below
KARS News Years Eve
informal dinner**



Harry WD9FYF and XYL Carolyn



Mark K9TP and cousin Don K9NR



JerryWC9B and XYL Karen