

# "DRUMLINS RUMBLINS"-JUNE 2021

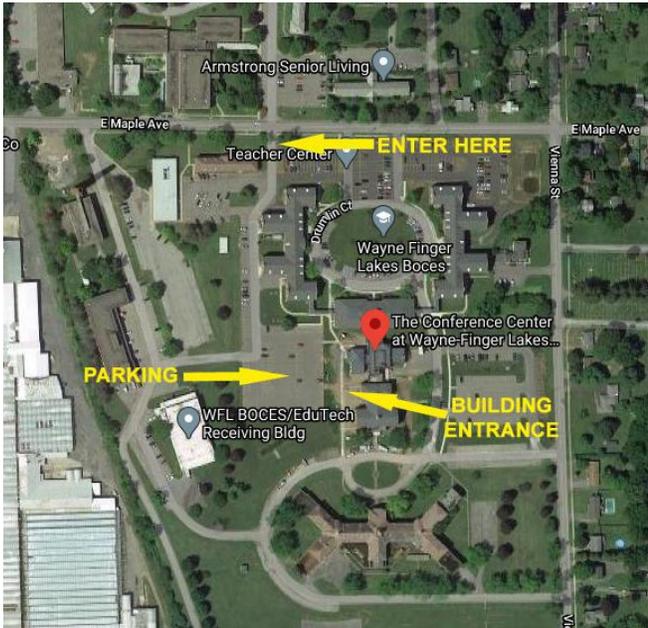
CONFERENCE CENTER at WAYNE FINGER LAKES

131 DRUMLIN COURT

NEWARK NY 14513

WEDNESDAY JUNE 16th MEETING START 7:30PM

GALA OR EMPIRE ROOM



Summer arrives June 21st!

From Vienna Street take the THIRD DRIVEWAY entrance going west on the left. That will bring you to the handicapped entrance and parking area. (There is an entrance on the Drumlins Circle side but there are steps. Not handicapped available.) Make a right after going through the west double entrance doors and go down the hallway. Both the Gala and Empire rooms are across from each other near the end of the hallway going south.



**Remember to bring some cash for your coffee and Trista's "super good" goodies to eat!**



## PRESIDENT'S KORNER

Hard to believe we are almost half way through 2021. At least life is slowly looking like it's returning to somewhat normal. I will take this opportunity to urge anyone who has not been vaccinated to consider getting it. It's the fastest way to restore our economy and our social lives.

There will be a Board meeting via Team (on line) on Monday June 7. The main topic will be to consider any different storage site for our trailer. The license was stolen but it was not broken in to. The bunker seemed like a safe, out of the way place but if any Drumlin's member has any thoughts, or storage space where they live/work, please contact me before Monday. Any club member wanting to join in on the Board meeting Mon June 7 at 6:30 pm please email me and I'll send you an invite.

Russ, N2IZV received a nice award in recognition of his years of service to the Newark School District. Russ serves the club as Dave's second as RACES/ARES committee. Congratulations Russ, you work hard for several organizations including Drumlins. This is a well deserved recognition.

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### Harris awarded Lifetime Achievement by NYS School Board Association

Russ Harris, President of the Newark Central School District Board of Education, has received a distinctive Level 4 Board Lifetime Achievement Award by the New York State School Board Association (NYSSBA).

NYSSBA's recognition program is comprised of four achievement levels which are reached by accumulating points by participating in various training activities including state-mandated training workshops, board officer's academy, legal workshops, convention. Included among these many activities in Harris's experience is that he has attended four roundtable sessions with the Commissioner of Education in Albany.

Superintendent Susan Hasenauer presented Harris with the NYSSBA plaque at the May 5th Board of Education meeting.

"The New York State School Boards Association's Recognition Program is designed to acknowledge school board members who strive to continually to expand their governance knowledge and skills. I would like to congratulate Russ Harris for earning a Level 4 Board Lifetime Achievement Award," she said. "Thank you, Russ for all of the time and dedication you put into being a member of the Newark Board of Education. The countless hours and the 17 years you have dedicated to our students and the entire Newark School District is to be commended and is greatly appreciated."

Although the plaque he received from NYSSBA shows he's earned the benchmark 500 points to earn the Level 4 Lifetime Achievement Award, Harris has actually accumulated 645.

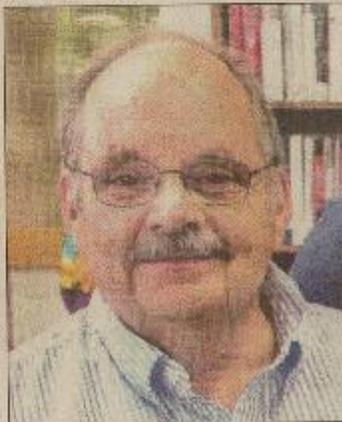
"It's very important for Board of Education members to participate in ongoing professional development," he said. "School issues are more complex than ever and understanding information sent down from state and national School Board Associations is critical to

the operation of our school district. I am proud to serve the NCSD's teachers, staff and administrators in helping to keep the district moving forward during these highly-uncertain times. The many challenges facing school districts require diligence and advocacy with local, state and national elected officials to insure equity that our students deserve."

For his achievement, Harris will also be recognized at the annual NYSSBA Convention; receive free registration to one of the annual conventions; be recognized in NYSSBA's On Board magazine and received an executive pen set.

Harris has served on the NCSD Board of Education from 1993 until 2003 and was Vice President during the 1999-2000 school year.

He was re-elected to a fourth-three-year term on the BOE in May 2014; to a sixth, three-year term in May of 2020 and is currently serving as BOE president for the fifth consecutive year. Harris served as BOE vice-president in 2015-16. He has been an officer in the Four-County School Boards Association for six years and is currently First Vice President.



[Well done, Russ!](#)

Club meeting will be Wed June 16, 7:30 pm at the Wayne BOCES Conference Center in Newark. Unfortunately, I'm not seeing many opportunities for activities as a club. We have Field Day coming up...please let Rich KC2TNJ know if interested as they will have a limit of people able to congregate at the Ontario EMO. I still haven't heard anything regarding this summer's Ginna drill. I'm hoping they will include us so we have an opportunity for at least that activity.

Speaking of the Ginna drill, Excelon (the parent company of Ginna) has again made a very generous donation of \$1500 to Drumlins in appreciation for our communication service to the EMO. We are very appreciative for Excelon's strong support of Drumlins for many years now.

If anyone has any suggestions for any activity this summer for the Club, please let me know.

On a personal note, I'm fully moved into my apartment at Seneca Tower in Rochester. I do not have my radio gear set up yet, so I don't know how my reception will be, but hope to get things set up in the next 2-3 weeks. It's been challenging getting unpacked and organized in an apartment that is one third the size of my mobile home. The good news is my home sold in 4 days after going on the market. That is a huge relief for me. My phone and email are all the same. I will be stepping down from the President's position this fall. We need members to step up into some leadership roles. Please consider helping your club. The Board positions don't take up that much time. We need your help! Contact me or any Board member if you are interested in President, or Board position.

Please enjoy a safe summer. Watch out for each other and be safe.

Best wishes for a great summer 2021...

Bill Tegtmeyer KD2DNO

## Field Day 2021 Update



We're going to scale down Field Day for this year... maybe only 10-15 attendees. Not sure on how many overnights. Our event Call will be K2BWK.

The location this year will be the **Ontario County Emergency Operations Center, 2914 County Road 48, Canandaigua, NY 14424**

Setup time will be 10am Saturday June 26th, Take Down 12 noon Sunday 27th.

Drumlins trailer with military mast will not be used. Coax and some items will be used from the trailer.

There will be 4 stations available. There will be two stations inside and two stations setup outside under a 10x20 popup canopy.

Soda, water and some snacks will be provided. Food for lunch and dinner will be decided on that day and purchased locally (ie: pizza, subs, burgers).

Everyone should bring their own chairs and any special needs.

Remember you can still operate from home or your own remote location using the rules from 2020 Field Day.

Please contact Rich KC2TNJ or Tom KB2NCI if you plan to attend in person.



## RACES-ARES JUNE 2021



\*\*\*\*\* **REMEMBER:** The 60m MARS nets on Channel 1 USB at noon, 1200L, on the first Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each month. \*\*\*\*\* Try this net starting in June! NCS will have a AAR2?? call sign. The NCS is to report the call-in ops signal strength of all checkins to MARS to get an idea of where and how effective the area coverage is. \*\*\*\***JULY 1st, 2nd & 3rd**\*\*\*\*

Please, do a better job than I have done! If I don't put an alarm reminder me on my cell, I will forget the nets. Yes, I missed the June nets. Oh yes, I have ALL the net times on my cell so I am reminded not to forget. I was at the QTH for this June month's 60m net busy doing something.

### \*\*\***GINNA STATE GRADED DRILL JULY 27th TUESDAY**\*\*\*



Watch for email about the State graded drill. I am sure that John O'Toole will have a day where we will be asked to have a "practice" session with RACES communications. We can always use more help! I know we have a couple of new RACES badge members but we could always use more volunteers. As soon as I have been contacted by John, I will send an mail out. Need a badge? Please contact me.

73 & 88, Dave KB2KBY kb2kby@rochester.rr.com C: 315-871-8767

## REPEATER REPORT - JUNE

146.685- some static, will get some inversion which is typical this time of year, reports of inversion into Europe due to cycle 25.

146.745- Went to site turned on AC unit, everything looked ok... Rebooted Allstar Server due to Echolink issue. Later determined that a new AC unit \* is needed and Walter to order. Also going to add a remnant carpet to the floor to help insulate/cool shed.



NO! Not my fault! Hi hi! You know I hate the heat and humidity!

**\*Note: The Board approved a new window air conditioner for the 745 site and being sent to N2MKT's QTH. The other went "kaput" in the hot humid weather these past weeks. Thanks, Jeff, for all your work.)**

444.750- Seems to be ok, not sure how wires-x been doing? Email note: Justin, W2JPT, went to the EMO shack and Wires-X node is up although the room was down. (Thanks, Justin.)

224.900-still working

443.250- rebooted pi-star, might have locked up due to temperature? (New air conditioner will help with this.)



...to KA1CNF, Steve! Steve has been instrumental in helping Walt, W2EVU, with his EchoLink "education" with his move to his daughter's QTH near Pittsburg PA. Walt has already changed his "ticket" address with the FCC and you can grab it off QRZ.com. Steve has been "ease dropping" like my old NSA alma-mater listening in on the weekday 7:30AM morning net on the 715-repeater. Walt has also been on the 7:00AM net as well before the 7:30AM net. Steve has listened to both net participants and heard their concern getting Walt on both nets after his move. EchoLink comes to the rescue! Steve is part of the Perrinton Repeater Group (I think I have the name correct. Sorry if I didn't get it right, Steve.), and with various donations of "equipment" to create a special EchoLink node which will be up and running only during the time of the mentioned morning nets-just for Walt! Again, TNX, Steve, for all your effort. "FB!"



## DARC PROGRAM

Most of the evening will be going over the Field Day preparations which Rich already wrote. But are there any concerns, more info or new ideas to be added. I, KB2KBY, with KC2TNJ's help, I'll have some YouTube videos of added interest on the Island of Shemya and the Enigma presentations given earlier DARC meetings. I'm always doing research on both topics. Rich was kind to tell me there was another second edition of the "Enigma" book discounted at the ARRL store.

# PICNIC-PICNIC-PICNIC



**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**DRUMLINS AUGUST PICNIC !!!!**

Coming sooner than you think! Only 2 months till the Drumlins Summer Picnic. Saturday August 14th at the Palmyra VFW: 3PM setup, 5PM lets EAT! **Mark your calendars**. Detailed flier on the website and will be emailed later. (TNX, Rich.) (I'm ready as you can see. Hi hi!)



**REMEMBER:** The picnic is considered our August DARC meeting!

\*\*\*\*\***THE DARC BOD** decided **THERE WILL BE NO JULY MEETING this year!**\*\*\*\*\*

## FINAL HAPPY NOTE!



**DON'T FORGET FATHER'S DAY!**



... and that is **WHY** the chicken crossed the road.

**(FINALLY WE KNOW THE TRUTH! Hi hi.)**



I came across this picture awhile back. I finally got the opportunity to get it in the newsletter. Here is the story.

I have told you many times this kid (KB2KBY), was teaching my hometown buddy the Morse code and he was teaching me the theory for our Novice test during the summer of 1963. This picture is of a similar set of WWII Morse code sets that we used for the code practice and the same two different colored keys too. My oldest brother was still in the Air Force at the time. He sorta "borrowed" these code sets. Hi hi.

The code sets are long gone but the J-45 black straight key of one of the sets I kept-just like the one on the right in this picture. That key I used when I got my Novice "ticket" in 1990, with the Kenwood TS-830 and VFO, I first used in my shack in the cupalo at the old QTH on 228 West Jackson Street in Palmyra. (Yes, Doc, the rig I sold to you for your son and returned to you by him later.) I still have that J-45 key in my shack! And I still use it!

Oh, yes! I didn't get my Novice until 1990. My hometown buddy got his Novice ticket passing the test in the fall that year. I lost interest in the Novice test. Why? On a Saturday Labor Day weekend in 1963, the Class of '64 was having a little party for our AFS Italian exchange student at a class member's home in Palmyra. I was a "Macedonian" Class of '64 member. Even though the Palmyra and Macedon students were grouped together since 7th grade, I paid attention to the Macedonian girls, naturally. At that party I happened to see this really cute, blue-eyed blond Palmyra classmate with a sweet nice big smile truely for the first time. Novice ticket????



Forget it!!!! I lost interest.  
Day Saturday! Good memories.

Yes, it was Jan! Hi hi. Yes, that will be 58 years ago this Labor

This picture is the first I've seen of those practice sets since the real things were long gone. Look-if any of you readers have a similar goofy fun story send them this way. I don't have to be the only one.

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SEE YOU IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER !!!!! WHEN? Maybe September. Remember no July DARC meeting!

