

# "DRUMLINS RUMBLINS" - JANUARY 2026



WE'RE meeting at the **WAYNE COUNTY SECOND FLOOR EOC ROOM**  
Wayne County Public Services Building 7227 Rte 31 Lyons NY 14489

**WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21st MEETING START 7:30PM**

**REMEMBER: The front door and the EMO entrance will be unlocked from 6:30-7:30pm.  
So arrive in this time period for an easy entry**



**\*YOU HAVE A LITTLE LEEWAY TO GET IN UNTIL 7:55PM!** (Lately, the broom is keeping the door open.)

## **PRESIDENT'S KORNER**

Welcome to 2026! We enter the new year with the weather being as goofy as we have seen. Freezing freezing burr temps and a few days later 60 degrees. We have been very lucky, but for that NE corner of Wayne County with the snow. Lake Effect. Oh, yes, we know how fickle it can be. We may have escaped this last round of snow WARNING across our flat TV screens these past days. BUT! Yea, that big "but" is the bugger. With this crazy winter, even if there is a WARNING for weather conditions, I will cancel a meeting.

Our **December Pizza Party** was a great success. All had a great time. Just about everyone went home with a party drawing prize. The DOB thanks Rich KC2TNJ for all his work organizing everything from the drinks, pizza, dessert and prizes "volunteering the entire Hamill family" to make this pizza party happen. I do mean the entire Hamill family. FB and kudos! If you were not there, you missed a great.



N0EK and KD2SKT getting into the treats. Hi hi. We started right off with the eating, no talk from “Talks Too Much Dave,” so KD2SKT could eat before his “duty” at the 911 center. N0EK, as I being ex-military, he knows when you’re eating Uncle Sam leaves you alone for a few minutes, so dig in. Hi hi, I kid you, but believe me that statement is no joke. KD2SKT even got a nice “prize” before reporting for work. Here is the “head organizer” for the Pizza Party, along with XYL Tris (Her scones my XYL dies for each month.), WD2STK, KC2TNJ and Brenda, XYL of K2MPE. Again thank you!



←My “Left Brain” as DARC Pres.



←Ray, ex-

Navy, he knows when to dig in, too. Hi hi. Me? Once I took the pictures, you bet I dug into the food. I maybe dump at times but I’m not stupid. Hi hi. Oh yes, I too got my XYL’s scone “alottment” home in a zip lock bag. (I sneaked a couple more for me, too. Shhhhh.) We had a lot of sweet treats left over, so we left the treats for Aimee Phillips, Abby Wahl and George Bastedo to have with their morning coffee the next day. (Hope, you three, enjoyed the goodies. Yea, I snuck one of the real chocolately goodies for the QTH next day for me. Shhhhhh) Aimee, Abby and George? You do remember these are “the triod” who through RACES, we support for the Ginna drills and with emergency COMMS. Just to remind you who we must be thankful for supporting DARC via RACES. We are blessed with a very supportive EMO!



WD2STK Sabina sent this ditty and it is perfect for ending our pizzy party review. Hi hi.

FINALLY, IT IS THAT TIME OF THE YEAR TO GET THE **HAMFEST** DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR! I MEAN DATES AS **FRIDAY** IS THE SETUP WHICH MEANS A LOT OF PHYSICAL HELP AND **SATURDAY** FOR THE HAMFEST AND THE PHYSICAL TEARDOWN. PLEASE HELP AND PUT THESE ON YOUR CALENDAR !!!!! **LOOK FOR KC2TNJ's EMAILS TO VOLUNTEER.**

**Same Location**

Contact person: Rich Hamill KC2TNJ  
(315) 986-8589

**Palmyra VFW Post 6778**  
4306 Route 31, Palmyra, NY  
3 miles east of Palmyra  
5 miles west of Newark

**39<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
DRUMLINS  
HAMFEST**




**NEW  
DATE**

Electronics – **AMATEUR RADIO GEAR** – Computers

**APRIL 18, 2026**

Vendors 7am  
Public 8am Till 1pm

**Breakfast – GRAND PRIZE – Door Prizes**  
Admission \$5.00  
Indoor Tables (6 ft.) \$5.00  
Outdoor Tailgaters FREE

**We're looking forward to the April Hamfest this year!**

**WEBPAGE**  
Drumlinsarc.us

For Tables  
Rich Hamill, KC2TNJ  
(315)-986-8589  
Email:  
Hamfest@drumlinsarc.us

**<http://drumlinsarc.us/hamfest-info/>**

TNX, Rich,

for your work here.



**->->->->WINTER TIME !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**BAD WEATHER! WATCH THE CLUB EMAIL FOR MEETING CANCELLATIONS!!!!!!**

Watch the DARC Google for a cancellation. I think I finally got all the non-Google members email addresses added on to the club email. If for some reason you can't get to an email device you may text me on my **cell number** (315-871-8767), beforehand. I will get on the **685** and **745** repeaters for **announcements** at least on the half hours, too, AT 6:00PM. There is nothing important enough for a DARC meeting for any members to go out in nasty WX.



## RACES-ARES JANUARY 2026

### THERE WILL BE NO WARECS-RACES NET ON SUPER BOWL SUNDAY FEB 8<sup>th</sup> !!!

Another new year has started for RACES and ARES. We are in that **long winter's night** of hopefully inactivity until the spring brings our calendar getting full with all the runs, bicycle whats and tri-what-ever. So let's enjoy the peace and quiet and hope Mother Nature keeps as quiet, as well. The break I know is very welcome for you that participate in



many of these events. So DO enjoy.

(60 years ago, I was on my Shemya. The sunrise and sunsets are making our winter days longer here, finally. As I type this newsletter, sunrise on my Shemya has improved to 10:29AM. As much as my "Sleeping Beauty" XYL complains of the long winter, I remind her, it could be worse.)

**2026 will mean that Ginna will have a State and Federal grading this year.** As of this time, so early, the dates for either one is not known. RACES could use more volunteers with training and helping out. Please consider helping out. Us "older" RACES members would like to see some younger help. The **Wayne County RACES** or **WARECS net is Sunday at 2035L (8:35PM) on the WA2AAZ 146.745 (pl 71.9), repeater.** This is a good start for new and old hams for practice. The voice ARRL Radiogram is the basic messaging form used on this net. If you can fill in the Radiogram message, you have the needed skill to transfer helping with a Ginna drill. Of course the digital ICS213 is a step up in communications and we do use the ICS213 after the voice message. Newcomers to RACES-ARES, the voice message and how to follow the net protocol are the two important things. Net protocol you know just getting the Tech ticket.

In this New Year, see if you can check into the RACES net and get your feet wet. As far as the Ginna drills, our Wayne County EMO has blessed us with all the gear needed. You newcomers just are the operators needed to be there. I hope you can help out. Our faithful RACES crew can help you prepare. The collective tech and operating power the RACES crew has is amazing. Every Ginna post-grading session, the State and FEMA graders have given us A+ grades for what we do and how we operate. (TNX, "crew!")

**SIGN ME UP**



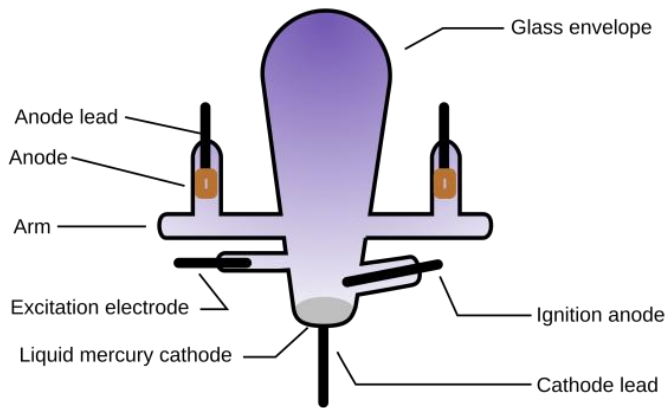
You know how to contact me. 88 & 73, Dave KB2KBY Wayne RO/EC [kb2kby@rochester.rr.com](mailto:kb2kby@rochester.rr.com)

Two antennas got married.

The wedding was ok.

But the reception was incredible.

## JANUARY PROGRAM: MERCURY-ARC RECTIFIER???



A **mercury-arc valve** or **mercury-vapor rectifier** or (UK) **mercury-arc rectifier** is a type of electrical rectifier used for converting high-voltage or high-current alternating current (AC) into direct current (DC). What? Non-technical Dave here I have no idea what this is or how used. Come and see with me just what "this thing" is. Hi hi. Sounds interesting!

Another Winter Field Day pix:

"CQ WINTER FIELD  
DAY CQ CQ CQ DE  
DE3R CALLING CQ  
AND LISTENING UP 5."



(TNX, WD2STK for this cute ditty.)

## INVITATION TO JOIN SIARC & WINTER FIELD DAY 2026-KB2NCI Tom

Tom always sends DARC an invitation to join our SIARC friends for this event. Myself and many DARC members are SIARC members as well. I take pictures for both clubs and I will bring my old WW2 J-41-A straight key for a little CW fun. KB2NCI sets up his Yaesu FT450D HF rig for SSB. The 450D has an easy front 5mm connection for a key or paddle.



**January 24th** will be the annual **Winter Field Day** event and once again, I am hosting the day at my home (garage) in Victor. **All are welcome** to attend the fun and bring any equipment they would like to set up and try. **We begin the set-up of a few HF stations with antennas at 9am, and operating begins at 11am.** We will be on the air into the evening. I will have coffee and water, but please bring a dish to pass so we don't pass out due to starvation (not likely!) The address **is 6310 Gillis Road** (near Cline Rd), **Victor**. There will be a talk in station set up on the K2BWK 146.820- (110.9) repeater. SIARC member Chris KE2DJR has a portable heater he is bringing to help fend off the cold. I look forward to a fun day!



**What is WFD?** <https://winterfieldday.org>

**Winter Field Day** is an exciting annual event for amateur radio enthusiasts, taking place on the last full weekend of January. It offers a unique opportunity for radio operators to set up field operations in remote locations, enabling them to connect with other participants worldwide. You may choose to participate solo or get your friends, family, or whole club involved. Winter Field Day is organized by the Winter Field Day Association. The association strongly believes that ham radio operators should practice portable emergency communications in winter environments. This is because freezing temperatures, snow, ice, and other hazards pose unique operational concerns.

The Winter Field Day event aims to help participants improve their preparedness for disasters and enhance their operational abilities in adverse conditions. Amateur radio operators have the freedom to use frequencies on the HF, VHF, or UHF bands while employing voice, CW, and digital transmissions. The event designates specific objectives to encourage a diverse range of activities, including the use of non-commercial power sources, the deployment of multiple antennas, establishing satellite contacts, and more. Click [here](#) to read more about the history and purpose of winter field day.

This is really a fun time. We know many of the SIARC members either by “eyeball” QSOs and or hearing them on the RACES net, the welfare net or gabbing on the repeaters. If you come just to gab? It is permitted. Hi hi. Helping setting up is all you can do? Great. Gab after. Hi hi. Help with logging? Super. The QSOs are far outnumbered by the conversation. Hi hi, no joke. It is nice to relax with a community of hams. (My daughter says, we’re all “radio herds.” Hi hi.)

Hope to see you there. 88 & 73, Dave P.S. I’ll guarantee it is comfy in KB2NCI’s garage.

[ Going along with that invitation, **I thought this ditty very appropriate to follow.** How true it is. ]

## More Time to Turn the Knob: A Lifeline for Hams

October 17, 2025

Hey folks, let’s talk about something we all notice but don’t always say out loud. Our wonderful hobby has a history of attracting brilliant, curious minds—and those minds tend to come with a few more years of experience under their belts. We all see it; the average age of a ham operator keeps ticking up.



And with those years, let's be honest, sometimes come a few more creaks in the joints, a little more brain fog, or a doctor’s report we’d rather not get.

**I know that dance all too well.** Back in 2014, a simple medical oversight—a missed blood test—set me on a path I never expected. A medication I was on quietly went to work on my kidneys for nine months before anyone caught it. By last fall, I’d reached a sobering milestone: stage 5 kidney failure.

The roadmap the doctors laid out was grim. Dialysis. Three days a week, for hours at a time. A major commitment that would have drastically reduced or even eliminated my time on the air and shortened my time on this earth. The statistics weren't comforting. It looked like PreppComm, and a lot of other joys, were coming to a close.

**But then, my story took a wild turn.**

I was introduced to an incredible new technology—a complete game-changer. It wasn't a drug. It wasn't a surgery. It was something entirely different, and it did what I was told was impossible: it eliminated my need for dialysis. My kidneys would begin to heal.

That was the miracle, but it was just the start. The benefits kept rolling in. The crushing fatigue lifted. The stubborn brain fog I'd had since a bout with COVID completely vanished. My skin looked better, my digestion improved, and remarkably, my eyesight got sharper. All ongoing improvements!

Talk about a second wind! Suddenly, I had the energy to spend time at the rig again, tweaking settings, making contacts, and truly enjoying the hobby. **Life itself became more vibrant.** Everything is just... better when you feel better. And sleep better!

I'd bet a good radio that 90% of us over 60 could see dramatic benefits from this—less pain, clearer thinking, fading arthritis, steadier hands for that perfect CW fist. Maybe even a few more years to pass this incredible hobby on to the next generation.

When I first heard about it, I'll admit, I thought it sounded crazy. But then again, all the best breakthroughs do at first, right? As a man of science, I dug in until I understood the "how" and the "why." Most folks just want to know that it works, and I can tell you firsthand: it does.

Heck, I even started using it on my old cat. He's 22 now and still ruling the house with an iron paw. Since it's not a drug or chemical, there are no side effects and it doesn't interfere with any medications you might be on—though you might find you need less of them over time!

And for the skeptics (I was one!), this is no placebo. A placebo effect doesn't regenerate kidneys or sharpen your vision. This is the real deal.

So, are you curious? Ready to feel a decade younger and get more quality time out of life—and your shack? I'd be honored to tell you more about my journey. Just reach out through the Contact Us page. Let's have a chat.

Here's to many more years of clear signals and strong connections.

73, Eric Anderson, AF7YQ

[Well? Do you agree? I am still thrilled by any QSO and the camaraderie of the ham community whether Stateside or out in the rest of the world. CW, SSB, AM FT8, etc., etc., etc. How cool our avocation is.]

## SIARC HEALTH and WELFARE NET: **[Cool lead in for KB2NCI. Hi hi.]**



(One of my last checkins, **Tom was at 1421 nets!** Wow!)

**STILL GOING STRONG!!!. Kudos, Tom!** Get acquainted with some of our SIARC friends and the surrounding counties. **Thank you, Tom, for being so patient and sacrificing your time.** **(Tom's XYL is a saint with his "radio.")**

Tom's **SIARC health and welfare net** is open to all hams that can hit the **146.820 repeater (tone 110.9)**, either mobile or from your QTH. Just listen to Tom's or the NCS's instructions always given first as the net starts like we all know as hams

and used to a SOP. So listen for the SOP at the beginning of the net. **Only the SECOND Wednesday of the month, the SIARC meeting night, there is no net.**

[Email sent to me by Quicksilver Radio. In honor John N1GNV now SK, I publish the whole email. Quick Silver was one of our early DARC hamfest vendors for many years ago. I brought quite a few things from John.]



**John Bee N1GNV/  
SK**



## **Honoring the Legacy: The Future of Quicksilver Radio**

A lot has happened and changed since the last Quicksilver newsletter was sent! What hasn't changed is Quicksilver's dedication to serving the ham radio community. In October 2025 John B passed away after a brief hospital stay and several years of health issues. John's vision, drive and passion for Quicksilver is the reason the company grew to where it is today. John and I (K3KMT) began earnestly discussing a business succession plan around the time of the Nutmeg Hamfest in 2024 in Meriden, CT. We attended several hamfests together and he would ask me each time "are you ready?" I would laugh him off and tell him no. Honestly I was intimidated by the thought of taking on such a large endeavor. He was persistent. He asked me to come spend a day with him at his shop before the 2025 Nutmeg Hamfest. I traveled to CT and we spent all day together. He convinced me that the idea was feasible and could work. Anyone that saw John at the hamfest in October knew it wasn't the John we were normally used to seeing. John's health declined rapidly after that show. I got "the phone call" the morning after he passed - less than two weeks after the Nutmeg Hamfest. After taking some time and looking at several options the family made the difficult decision to sell the business.

The last month has been a whirlwind. We sent a team to CT to pack inventory, tooling and equipment. It was a difficult 2 days of packing and moving for me personally, I wish John would have been there to help. His knowledge, and his personality were missed. More than anything, as the team at Quicksilver Radio moves forward, our goal is to honor John's legacy and the fond memories that the customers and his hamfest friends have.

So what does the future hold? We are looking forward to meeting and seeing John's friends and past customers throughout the next year and especially at [Hamcation](#) in Florida in February. We are trying our hardest to get to as many hamfests as possible. PLEASE see the [hamfest schedule](#) by clicking this link. Also be sure to check out the [website](#), as we work on rebuilding it, and look for a fresh new look on the website - we hope by April.

One new product that will be unveiled at Hamcation is a go box "Hammocan" featuring a LiFePO4 battery! Other new innovative products are being explored and developed as well.

Please don't forget [Winter Field Day](#) is January 24-25, just 9 days from now! Its a great time to introduce someone to the magic of ham radio! Get radioactive with your local club or invite a few buddies to a central location.

Lastly, I ask for a bit of grace on your part. We are working our way thru bugs and kinks in the ordering system, the website and the email system. If we don't reply in 24 hours, we aren't intentionally ignoring you. Please feel free to call the store at 717-354-2200 and talk to a live person.

Ralph K3KMT  
Team Quicksilver Radio



TNX,

WD2STK.



TNX,

K2OEQ Duncan.

**MARITIME RADIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY**



KB2KBY is a

I HAVE A WIRELESS FOR YOU

cryptology nut. Sorry.

**January 2026**

**MRHS Newsletter No. 101**

***Dedicated to True Believers Afloat & Ashore***

**After Action Report: KPH Cryptography Broadcast**

Editor note: Each year the MRHS transmits a real WW2 German radio ciphered message via CW using an Enigma coded cipher. It is transmitted using the KPH transmitter at this historic museum. Fun event.



**True Believer Mike Ledermueller turned the KPH ENIGMA Broadcast into a family event! Here we see his two sons working hard as "Code Breakers" as they decode the message on a replica ENIGMA machine. It was a great history learning experience, too!**

Once again cryptographers were huddled over their receivers (or, increasingly, computers connected to Software Defined Radios accessible via the Internet) copying an encoded message transmission broadcast by the "Wireless Giant of the Pacific," historic maritime radio coast station KPH. On Saturday, August 30 2025 at 2000 GMT KPH broadcast an encrypted message in the famous ENIGMA format. Here is the imaginative scenario for the broadcast:

*The year is 1939. War looms over Europe like a gathering storm. And deep within the quiet halls of a remote country estate, a small, secretive group of the Allies' brightest minds works tirelessly to pierce the veil of the German military's most complex encryption device - the Enigma machine. In just three weeks, a critical radio transmission is expected to be sent in Morse code: a stream of meaningless five-letter groups, indecipherable to ordinary listeners but believed to contain plans of the highest importance. Intelligence believes the message may detail the movement of German forces in a way that could change the course of the war before it has even truly begun.*

*In a daring operation that cost brave agents and precious resources, a codebook has been wrestled from enemy hands. It is stained, scarred by fire...and perhaps incomplete, but it is the best chance we have. You are now part of the small team entrusted with this task. The clock is ticking; every day that passes brings the transmission closer, and once it arrives, you must work with speed and precision to decode its secrets. The fate of ships at sea, soldiers in the field, and perhaps the fate of nations rests in your hands.*

*Time is of the essence - crack the code before it's too late!*

KPH Cryptography Manager Kevin McGrath/KM provided the following information concerning this latest event. Thanks, KM! Also, a word of thanks to Maintenance Supervisor Bill Ruck/RK, who once again handled the issuance of the coveted award certificates.

This year a particular dose of realism was added to the exercise when a major solar flare erupted at the very beginning of the broadcast, interfering with efforts to copy the message by intercept stations around the world! Despite that significant handicap 160 decodes were submitted for verification. Of that number there were 141 successful decodes. Well done to all those who submitted entries and congratulations to all who were able to decode the message and were awarded a certificate!

Entries were received from stations all across the USA, but also from Canada, England, France, Germany, Finland, Belgium, Netherlands, Italy, Czech Rep., Argentina, Chile, Brazil, Japan, New Zealand, and Australia. While 40% of listeners copied the message from their home stations another 60% used one of the many Software Defined Radios accessible via the Internet. A number of stations used vintage receivers such as the Collins R390A, RCA RBC-2, Mackey 3020a.

Noteworthy is that one station used an original World War 2 era ENIGMA machine. Eleven other stations used replica ENIGMA machines. This is of particular interest in that for the 2022 ENIGMA cryptography event only two stations used replica machines. Most participants used one of the several simulators that are available on the Internet or as standalone apps.

Once operators copied the message they then needed to begin the effort to decode the message using the codebook page provided. To add to the challenge this codebook page was stained and scarred by fire. In fact, The code book page was purposely designed such that the date is missing and one of the plugboard pairs is ambiguous.

Here is the **encrypted** ENIGMA message as broadcast by KPH:

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KAPT REINEKE FR GR ADM RAEDER
2312 MAY 27 = 120 = JXY LYI
=
BSTHH GMBOA WGOCL FRCYT VQHDB
TIAUJ ILARX NKQWV HVTXM VJGCF
ZYUGP ZBBZW VLQFR ODBBC PPBDK
XBWTZ MXKGP JAFKA QKKFU UULYV
WXUZK DUFWX FZOFT QXKFS
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And here is the **decoded** message:

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KAPITAN REINEKE FROM GRAND ADMIRAL RAEDER
=
BEGIN PLANNING CROSS CHANNEL OP X
OBJECTIVE ENGLISH MAINLAND X
DETAIL NAVAL AND AIR SUPPORT REQS X
CODE WORD SEALION X
REPORT IN FIVE DAYS X
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As an **historical note**, "Operation Sea Lion" was the codename for German plans to invade Great Britain during World War 2 in 1940. The Germans had to obtain air superiority over Britain first but the Battle of Britain the RAF prevailed.

The British officially recognize the battle's duration as being from 10 July until 31 October 1940, which overlaps the period of large-scale night attacks known as the Blitz that lasted from 7 September 1940 to 11 May 1941. German historians do not follow this subdivision and regard the battle as a single campaign lasting from July 1940 to May 1941, including the Blitz.

Germany's failure to destroy Britain's air defenses and force it out of the conflict was the first major German defeat in the Second World War. PM Churchill's tribute to the RAF is so famous, '**Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few.**'



Always the history teacher.

<https://www.radiomarine.org/> : [Look at the MRHS website](#). You will find it interesting. The newsletter is free as is the membership. [Duncan K2OEQ](#) and I, I know are members. Anyone else? At this website <https://enigmamuseum.com/> you can find all the info on the Enigma and a free download of a computerized Enigma machine to play with. Give it a try and have some fun.



KB2KBY operating a real WW2 German Enigma at the NSA Cryptology Museum Memorial Day weekend 2022. Yea, I'm "nuts" for any of this stuff. Hi hi.



TNX,

Sabrina.



**Odd and Ends:** (TNX, Tom, for your help.)

<https://www.contestcalendar.com/fivewkcal.php> will give you all you do! Whew.

The **New York State RACES net** is held each Sunday morning at 9am on 7281kHz LSB and members are always welcome to check in and get more training on HF net operations. The net follows the same procedures that our weekly nets do. A digital message is sent afterwards on 7081.5kHz USB using Olivia 8-500, MFSK 32 and Thor 22. Forty meters has worked very well, so for the time being, the net will remain there. We are in Region 5 (check in is by region) and we are always very well represented. Give it a try! NYS RACES is also doing testing on 60 meters. It is a great band for these regional communications, so all members should have that capability. For more information on RACES, go to [Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service \(RACES\) | Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services](#)

**More info from KB2NCI:** The following is a list of digital HF nets you can listen and check into. Thanks to Paul KD2DO for this information.

Here are the digital nets in our area that you can listen into and now join.

\*\*\* MID-ATLANTIC Net: @ 1000L Sunday morning on 7.068 MHz USB.

\*\*\* NJ NBEMS Net: @ 0900L Sunday morning on 3.582 MHz USB.

\*\*\* NH NBEMS Net: @ 0700L Saturday morning on 3.582 MHz USB.

\*\*\* NY NBEMS Net: @ 0800L Saturday morning on 3.583 MHz USB.

\*\*\* US East NBEMS: @ 1900L Wednesday evening on 3.536 MHz USB.

\*\*\* MIDTN Net: Tues, Thurs & Sat 1930L on 3.582.5 MHz USB.

and for a change of pace

Feld Hell 30m net, Wed 2000 ET on 10.1410, FSKH105

Feld Hell 40m net, Thu 2100 ET on 7.0890, FSKH105

Feld Hell 80m net, Fri 2200 ET on 3.5835, FSKH105

Be sure your TxID and RxID buttons are activated and green on FLDIGI, to follow the mode used.

A **new emergency and weather alert system** is now **available for New Yorkers**. Through the free 333111 system, you'll receive text alerts from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services about severe weather, significant power outages and shelter locations in your area. To receive these alerts, text 333111 and the county you wish to receive the alerts for (do not add the word "county" or any spaces or punctuation). You can add more than one county. If you are already signed up for NYALERT, you are all set. They will be the same messages. If you no longer wish to receive these messages, text STOP to 333111.

The International Amateur Radio Union (IARU) has designated **14.300Mhz** as a worldwide center of activity frequency for emergency traffic. There are two nets that run from 7am to 10pm eastern time daily. The **Intercontinental Amateur Traffic Net**, aka Intercon, ([www.intercontinentalnet.org](http://www.intercontinentalnet.org)) operates from 7am to noon and the **Maritime Mobile Services Net** ([www.mmsn.org](http://www.mmsn.org)) operates daily from 12pm to 10pm ET. Please keep these frequencies clear during times of need and net times. Listen in for some interesting conversations. During Atlantic hurricane season (June 1 to November 30), you can find some interesting traffic from the **Hurricane Watch Net (hwn.org)** on **14.325Mhz** days and 7.268Mhz nights, when a hurricane is within 300 miles of land.

**NOW KB2NCI, WD2STK and K2OEQ have stepped up and furnished this editor with some good stuff to "print."**

# So



## TO SEND ME STUFF!!

REMINDER TO ALL YOU VALENTINES DAY LOVERS! DON'T FORGET FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>. IT WILL COME UP QUICK !!!



See you

next month!

(Yes, I was a sousaphone player. The B-flat tuba had the same fingering as the trumpet which I played, too. I loved playing the tuba more.)