



## Tri County Radio Association

W2LI Since 1934



Tri County Radio operates repeaters on 147.255 (PL 141.3) and 449.975 (PL 141.3) using the W2LI memorial call sign / PO BOX 1291 Union NJ 07083-1291 / Web Site: <http://www.w2li.org>

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## Any Ideas???

Do you have an article you'd like to submit for publication in the TCRA News? The TCRA News editors are always seeking articles for future issues. If you have any ideas, please contact Bob, KB2BBD at [kb2bbd@arrl.net](mailto:kb2bbd@arrl.net).

### TCRA NEWS JANUARY 2009

TCRA News is published ten times a year, with no issues in August and December.

### PROGRAMS/EVENTS FOR JANUARY\*

*\*Subject to change.*

January 5<sup>th</sup>: "PACKET/FLEXNET" Greg, N2GS and Dave, WB2FIX will discuss Packet and FLEXNET for traffic handling in the 21st Century. (8PM AT THE UNION ELKS)

January 10<sup>th</sup>: "VE TEST SESSION" 8AM at the Union County College Cranford Campus.

January 19<sup>th</sup>: "SW LISTENING AND DIGITAL MODES" Art, K2ADC will discuss shortwave listening and digital modes. (8PM AT THE UNION ELKS)

January 24<sup>th</sup>: "VE TEST SESSION" 9AM at the Roselle Fire Department, 725 Chestnut St., Roselle, NJ 07203 in the third floor conference room (handicap accessible).

## 2009 DUES

Just a reminder: TCRA 2009 dues are due for 2009 membership. Dues are \$20.00. If you can't make it out to a meeting, you may send it to the club: **PO BOX 1291 Union NJ 07083-1291**. Please note new mailing address. Please note that although the dues are the same as last year the clubs expenses continue to rise. If you are able please add a donation to your dues payment. In advance thank you for your donation.

## **KIDS DAY JAN 3<sup>RD</sup>**

Kids Day is coming up again on January 3rd. NPARC will be operating from the Berkeley Heights Rec Center from 2 PM until perhaps 5 PM if we get a good turnout.

Most of our operation will be on HF (40 and 20 meters). But some will be on 2 meters both simplex and a couple of repeaters. Repeaters are good for the kids since it's easier to understand the comments from whomever they contact.

The W2LI 2 meter repeater will be used during the afternoon. It would be appreciated if some TCRA members would get on the air specifically to talk with the kids. The exchange is very simple: Name, age, location and your favorite color. The kids will be prepared to inform any adults as to what the proper exchange is, HI!!

If you would like to stop by the Rec Center and need directions or for more information please contact Barry, K2JV at [k2jv@arrl.net](mailto:k2jv@arrl.net).

### **THE HALL OF SCIENCE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB- WB2JSM NEEDS YOUR HELP**

Dear Fellow Amateur,

The Hall of Science Amateur Radio Club- WB2JSM is putting out an SOS (save our station) call for your help. The Hall of Science Amateur Radio Club has been demonstrating amateur radio to the visiting public for over 35 years as an independent exhibit at the New York Hall of Science Children's Museum located in Queens, New York. The museum is undergoing a major renovation project and wants us out for good. We have started a petition which we want you to sign and

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circulate for us in order to help preserve a great ham radio asset by showing officials at the museum that you value what we do. Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/6ljost> to read more about our plight and sign our petition. We have logged over 10,000 contacts from the station and even if you're not in our log your help will let us continue to talk up amateur radio and create the next generation of ham radio operators.

Respectfully Submitted

Tom Golero, KC2CBA

Club Liaison Officer

[www.hosarc.org](http://www.hosarc.org) (the Hall of Science Amateur Radio Club)

[www.nyhallsci.org](http://www.nyhallsci.org) (the Hall of Science museum)

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### **Swap and Shop**

TCRA members are welcome to list any amateur related items for sale, trade, or swap. You may also list wanted items as well. Please contact Bob, KB2BBD at [kb2bbd@arrl.net](mailto:kb2bbd@arrl.net) if you have anything to list.

### **YOUR ITEM HERE**

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### **ADVERTISE YOUR EVENT HERE**


If you belong to another organization and would like to list it in the TCRA Newsletter contact Bob, KB2BBD at [kb2bbd@arrl.net](mailto:kb2bbd@arrl.net).



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# TRI-COUNTY RADIO ASSOCIATION EVENTS



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1  HAPPY NEW YEAR	2	3
4	5 8:00 PM TCRA MEETING AT THE UNION ELKS "PACKET/ FLEXNET"	6 8:30 PM SATERN NET 449.975 MHz	7	8	9	10 8:00 AM VE TEST UNION COUNTY COLLEGE CRANFORD
11	12	13 8:30 PM SATERN NET 449.975 MHz	14	15	16	17
18	19 8:00 PM TCRA MEETING AT THE UNION ELKS "SWL / DIGITAL MODES"	20 8:30 PM SATERN NET 449.975 MHz	21	22	23	24 9:00 AM VE TEST ROSELLE FIRE DEPARTMENT
25	26	27 8:30 PM SATERN NET 449.975 MHz	28	29	30	31