

GoMM HIGHLIGHTS:

- Paulding Silver Comet puts up a tower
- HAM JAM reminder
- AAAAAH!! THE HAMFEST! THE HAMFEST!
- MARS Communications Exercise – their SET
- Technical STEM education for youngsters and young adults

==> PAULDING SILVER COMET ARS GETS THEIR TOWER COMPLETED::

The Silver Comet Amateur Radio Society finally completed their tower raising project. Here's a short Youtube video of the raising.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V9gow0XO_hI&feature=youtu.be

==> DON'T FORGET HAM JAM COMING NOVEMBER 11TH 2017::

HAMJAM 2017 is an effort by North Fulton Amateur Radio League (NFARL) to promote amateur radio in the southeast US by bringing respected contributors to amateur radio to our local community. Net proceeds will be donated to the NFARL scholarship funds.

Go here for the HAMJAM promotion flyer:

<http://arrl-ga.org/docs/HamJam-2017-Promo-0918.pdf>

Go here to learn what HAMJAM is about:

<http://www.hamjam.info/about.html>

==> DON'T FORGET THE STONE MOUNTAIN HAMFEST THIS SATURDAY::

The ARRL Georgia State Convention at the Stone Mountain Hamfest is this Saturday and Sunday.

Lots Of Door Prizes - IC-7300, IC-7100, ID-5100,

Go-Box Contest

Great Forums on Emergency Preparedness and Response for ARES and Emergency Communicators.

Participating Vendors:

(<http://stonemountainhamfest.com/index.php/exhibitors/>)

- American Radio Relay League
- AC & DC Electronics
- Cool Travel Stuff
- Georgia Case Company
- Greenivative Emergency Power
- Ham Radio Outlet
- Ham World
- Icom America
- JMR Sales
- Kenwood USA
- Max-Gain Systems
- MFJ Enterprises
- Minuteman Stoves and Provisions
- Paradan Radio
- Sew Whatever

- Shaybay Essentials
- The Sign Man
- The WireMan
- TN07 Engineering
- Tower Electronics

Go here for the "Go Box Contest" Sign-up:

<http://stonemountainhamfest.com/index.php/goboxcontestsignup/>

Hamfest Homepage: <http://stonemountainhamfest.com>

Thanks, Mike Smith, KK4KHS

==> PARTICIPATING IN THE MARS "SET" THIS WEEKEND::

Army and Air Force MARS, will conduct a "communications interoperability" training exercise (COMMEX = SET) November 4-6 (Saturday, Sunday, and Monday).

During the exercise, MARS will request county-by-county status reports for the 3,143 US counties and county equivalents, in order to gain situational awareness and to determine the extent of the impact of the scenario. Army and Air Force MARS organizations will work in conjunction with the Amateur Radio community, primarily on the 60-meter interoperability channels as well as on HF NVIS frequencies and local VHF and UHF, non-Internet linked Amateur Radio repeaters.

Monitor these frequencies at these times (below) for information about the details of the COMMEX (Simulated Emergency Test) and how you can

participate in this exercise and get a QSL card (This is an information-only broadcast and is not a traffic net or check-in net).

When: Saturday from 0300 to 0315 UTC (7 am to 7:15 am EST)

Frequency: 5330.5 KHz (monitor for information on SET only)

Again: Sunday from 1600 to 1615 UTC (7 pm to 7:15 pm EST)

Frequency: 13483.5 KHz (not an Amateur frequency – for SET information only)

MARS and ARES have been through these interoperability exercises before.

MARS operators will again monitor Amateur HF/UHF/VHF voice and digital nets and contact Amateur operators for county infrastructure status, weather observations, zip code, etc.

One of the important objectives of this exercise is to continue building a working relationship with the Amateur Radio community. MARS members are also Amateur Radio operators and can act as liaison to MARS. In addition, MARS and Amateur operators can interoperate on 60 meters (5330.5 KHz) when there is a communication need and during exercises. It is important to maintain this familiarity of operation as Amateurs do during the ARES SET. One of the objectives of this COMMEX is to get feedback from the Amateur community.

==> TECHNOLOGY (STEM) TRAINING FOR YOUNGSTERS AND YOUNG ADULTS::

I attended the Makers Faire (<https://makerfaire.com/maker-movement/>) in downtown Atlanta almost two weeks ago. There was an Amateur Radio booth supported by The North Fulton Amateur Radio League (NFARL), Gwinnett

Amateur Radio Society (GARS), The Atlanta Radio Club, and North Georgia QRP Groups with volunteers demonstrating the technical aspects of radio communications and radio science. There were lots of other STEM-related demonstrations and booths presented by others. I wanted to point out a couple that offers technical demonstrations and training for youngsters and young adults ranging in age from 4 to 14 years. If you live in the general vicinity of the Atlanta metropolitan area, these may be of interest to you if you are a progressive parent especially if your children have an interest in things technology related.

Engineering for Kids ages 4 - 14: <http://www.engineeringforkids.com>

START:CODE Computer programming for grades 3-12:

<http://www.startcode.net>

ARRL Georgia Section

Section Manager: David B Benoist, AG4ZR

ag4zr@arrl.org

To unsubscribe from messages, go to:

<http://p1k.arrl.org/oo/85a2334ec740de413ea987992c15370e>