

**June 01, 2015**



## LARC looking for a new home

A few minutes prior to the meeting this evening I was notified by a staff member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church that the church has been sold. The church will be turned into a school for the handicapped. The school will begin 1 July 2015. Tonight will be our last meeting in this facility. The LARC board is investigating a few new locations but would like suggestions from the membership for a new place to meet. The sale was made to a real estate broker and investor. The sale came about suddenly this last week or at least that is the information we were given. Watch the blog for updates on the location for our next meeting.

We had 2 people pass their licenses tonight.

Sarah Clark - K4EMT - General

Hank Herring - KK4TSG - General

# LARC Name Tag

If you are owed a LARC name tag but have not received it please contact:

**Bill Johnson, KI4ZMV**  
**LARC Secretary**

# Guests?

Do we have any first time visitors, guests, or people who just want to stand up and be recognized?

# Traveling Members

Each year we have LARC members that travel back to their homes up North. Keep in touch with our traveling members and bring us up to date on their radio status. Let Bill Johnson know if we have a member that is ill or having trouble making the trip back so that we can keep in touch with these wandering folks. If you are one of these people then send an email or give a call and let us know what is going on in Ham Radio elsewhere.

**The Amateur Radio Parity Act of 2015 -- H.R.1301** -- has been introduced in the US House of Representatives. The measure would direct the FCC to extend its rules relating to reasonable accommodation of Amateur Service communications to private land use restrictions. US Rep Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) introduced the bill on March 4 with 12 original co-sponsors from both sides of the aisle -- seven Republicans and five Democrats.

HR 1301 would require the FCC to amend its Part 97 Amateur Service rules to apply the three-part test of the PRB-1 federal pre-emption policy to include homeowners' association regulations and deed restrictions, often referred to as "covenants, conditions, and restrictions" (CC&Rs). At present, PRB-1 only applies to state and local zoning laws and ordinances. The FCC has been reluctant to extend the same legal protections to include such private land-use agreements without direction from Congress.

H.R. 1301 has been referred to the House Energy and Commerce Committee. Rep Greg Walden, W7EQI (R-OR), chairs that panel's Communications and Technology Subcommittee, which will consider the measure.

ARRL members are urged to contact their US House members and ask them to sign on to the bill as a co-sponsor. We recommend sending the letter to your member of Congress to: ARRL Attn HR 1301 grassroots campaign

## July 2015 Meeting

There will be a change this year on the July meeting. We will be moving our BBQ dinner to August. We have been fortunate to be able to have Ellen White, W1YL, as a guest speaker and she will be here for the July meeting. Ellen, now 89 years young, has been in ham radio since the 1947, 68 years. Read her interesting story in the May/June 2015 issue of NCJ or you will find it reprinted on the LARC blog. The ARRL was happy for us to use the article. Please don't miss this opportunity to hear about the past in ham radio and speak with a very interesting lady.



# Field Day

Field Day is this month, June 27-28. This is a two day event that allows you to fit it into your schedule. Make time to come out for the setup, lunch, or stop by at midnight. We, LARC, will be there. Field Day has something for everyone. You don't have to operate, but it would be nice. We have a need for all kinds of participation. We need talkers, eaters, picture takers, sitters, or whatever you have to offer. Bring a new recipe to try on unsuspecting testers.

# Tonight

Buddy Morgan, WB4OMG, will be speaking on RF Safety. This is the second time this year we have been able to have him speak to us. Buddy spoke to us in February of this year about Weak Signal Communications which has spawned interest in new projects for some of us.