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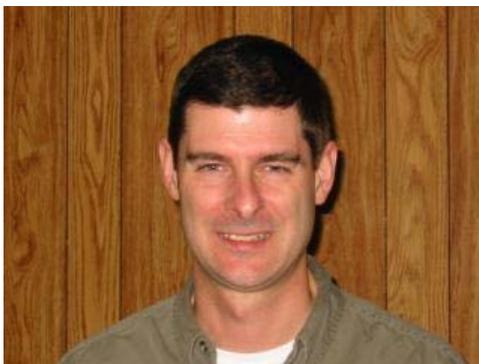
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Meet the Member, Ted, KI4PWX Next Meeting



Ted Bertrand, KI4PWX

Fred "Ted" Bertrand III, KI4PWX, is new to Amateur Radio, but has already jumped right in.

Ted got his Technician's license in June 2006 after being encouraged by Paul Fletcher, KS4YF. Ted and Paul work together at East Carolina University's Brody School of Medicine where Ted is an assistant professor of microbiology and immunology.

A few days after he got his license, Ted participated in Field Day 2006, which really piqued his interest in

Amateur Radio.

Club members just voted him New Ham of the Year.

Since getting his license, Ted has added a Yaseu FT-897, Yaseu FT-60, and a homebrew 3-element 6 meter Yagi built with help from Bernie Nobles, WA4MOK, and Joel Muhaluk, KI4LMY, to his equipment collection.

He particularly enjoys 6 meters and being able to talk to people across the country when the band is open and is looking forward to earning HF privileges.

Ted has been in Greenville about five years after a number of moves. He is originally from Oak Ridge, Tenn. but later lived in Atlanta, Ga. where he got a BS in Biology from Georgia Tech; Birmingham, Ala. where he got a Ph.D. in Microbiology and Immunology from the University of Alabama; Toronto, Canada where he did a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Toronto and Minneapolis, Minn. where he did a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Minnesota Cancer Center. The weather here is much

January 9

The Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club will have its next meeting on Tuesday, January 9 at 7:30 PM at VFW Post Home 7032 on 1108 Mumford Road in Greenville. Tim Slay, N4IB, North Carolina ARRL Section Manager, from Mooresville, will be the speaker. Members are invited to meet Tim at the Long Horn at 5:45 for a meal before the meeting. All members, families and guests are invited to attend.

The next board meeting will be January 30 at 7:30 PM at 3219 Landmark St., Suite 8B. All members invited.

than Minneapolis, he says.

Ted lives with his dog Nikki. In addition to Amateur Radio he enjoys dog training, photography, and hiking. - Amanda, KI4IWS

2007 Dues

Membership dues for BARC are due January 1, 2007. The 2007 membership roster will published in the April 2007 Ham Chatter if possible. Those who have not paid their dues will not be listed on the roster and will be removed from the Ham Chatter mailing list. Membership dues are the same as they were in 2006, and are as follows:

Regular Member \$20.00

Family Member \$2.00

Associate Member (Non-Licensed) \$5.00

Honorary Member \$0.00

New Hams: 18 and younger (1st year) \$5.00

New Hams: 19 and older (1st year) \$10.00

Please mail your dues, along with the member application form to: Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club, P.O. Box 8387, Greenville, NC 27835. We are requesting that you send the application form in so that we can have your correct information on file. The form can be downloaded from <http://www.w4amc.com/application.html>. If anyone has any questions concerning their membership status or their dues, please call Richard Cox, K4CRD, BARC Treasurer, at (252) 524-4089 or e-mail k4crd@earthlink.net. Thank you for your support and participation in BARC.

Bulletin

Morse code exams eliminated!

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President's Corner – Dave Pulver, KG4CZV

I want to wish a Happy New Year to all of the club members and those non-club members who access our newsletter via the internet.

After a great 2006, I am looking forward to a better 2007.

This year we will be holding a raffle, as we have in past years. This year we will be doing things just a little differently. Instead of tickets being available in March, this year they will be available in January.

In addition to the earlier distribution of raffle tickets, a drawing will be held at the February and March meeting for small prize each month. Only those tickets that have been sold and turned in will be eligible for the small prize drawings.

Another need the club has is for someone to chair our Field Day effort this June. As always, volunteers are welcome.

As always, we are looking for good programs for the monthly meetings. If you have a suggestion for what you would like to see a program on this year, please contact either myself or Taylor Mil-

lar.

For those who wish to contact me, you can call me at (252) 353-7161, or e-mail me at <kg4czv@earthlink.net>.

I thank you in advance for all the hard work and the fun you will help bring to the club in 2007.

Dave Pulver, KG4CZV



Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, was awarded BARC Ham of the Year at the BARC 2006 Christmas party.

Next VE Session

The next Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club VE session will be held on **February 16**. Exams will be held at St. Peter's School on 5th Street and will start promptly at 6:30 PM. Tom Parsons, **W4TEP**, 355-2815. w4tep@arrl.net. Please bring the following:

- ◆ Photo ID (drivers license)
- ◆ Original Amateur Radio License
- ◆ Copy of Amateur Radio License
- ◆ Original CSCE's
- ◆ Copy of CSCE
- ◆ Test fee is \$14.00
- ◆ Proof of Tech Plus if before 3/21/87 and doing paper upgrade to General.

Be sure to bring **copies** of your Amateur Radio license and / or CSCE if upgrading.

Questions about the new CW ruling? Go to:

<http://www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/wt05-235/>

These are frequently asked questions.

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Happy Birthday

Brightleaf Amateur Radio Club members birthdays in **January**.

2	KD4AFL	Mac Manning
6	W4ESO	Frank Spencer
6	KF4RBJ	Joyce Griswell
12	K4CRD	Richard Cox
15	W4EHF	Bill Finch
16	KG4WEU	David Cox
27	W4RCN	Terry Zipes
30	W4ISO	Dan Drake

Please let me know of any additions or corrections. - *WAYDY*

Well Wishes

Thoughts and Prayers go out to the following:

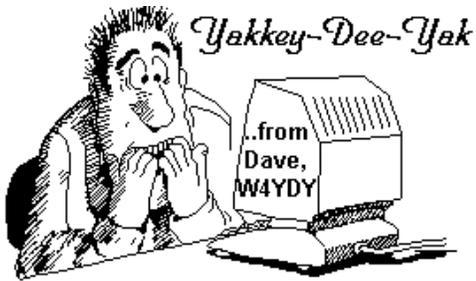
Gail, wife of Mac Manning, KD4AFL

Charlie Wells, K4SKI

Please inform Dan Drake, W4ISO, of any changes.



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Sometime back a while ago, there was a young boy about 13 years old who got interested in Amateur Radio. He had seen his cousin's station and one other a few times and he was probably hooked at that time. Problem was that he lived over 150 miles from them and did not know any other hams. About that time, he was able to get his old family Philco floor model radio that covered the AM band and some shortwave bands up to 18 megacycles. His family had replaced the Philco radio with a modern table top radio that even included the new FM stations. He listened to hams talking on the 20 and 75 meter bands. There was no 40 meter phone.

He soon found out that the 75 meter band was a good one to hear stations in North Carolina. They were using the AM mode since SSB was in the future. For the next 4 or 5 years, he started to know some of the stations by voice and a few times, even heard his cousin talking. He studied the Morse Code trying to get up to 13 words per minute but it was tough without much to practice with. He would have to get the Class B license which became the General Class later on. But to be able to talk to the hams on 75 and 20, he would have to get the Class A license (later Advanced Class) after waiting a year with the Class B. But in 1951, the FCC changed the licensing structure and created the Novice, Technician, Conditional (old Class C), General (old Class B), Advanced (old Class A) and Amateur Extra. Novice and Technician required 5 WPM code and Amateur Extra required 20 WPM. The others stayed at 13 WPM. Novice was good for one year only. Advanced Class was phased out at the end of 1952.

About that time, the young boy learned some code via the Boy Scouts and the Civil Air Patrol. He also bought a set of 36 code records that covered from

beginning to 20 WPM. They were 78 rpm records and he still has them. Also in 1951 he got a Hallicrafters SX-71 receiver with a lot of help from his Mom and Dad and was able to copy the W1AW code practice. In the summer of 1952, he was visiting his cousin for a couple of weeks and used his Instructograph machine. There were several paper tapes for it that he used to practice the code. He went to Winston-Salem where the FCC gave exams 4 times a year. When he got there, he was so nervous when he saw about 75 people in the big room taking exams, he left!

A couple of weeks later, he went to Norfolk and he was the only one taking the test. At that time, one could take the Novice and Technician after passing the code test and receive the one year Novice call and the renewable call for the Technician. Mr. Bennett of the FCC gave the young man a break when he just missed the 5 WPM code test. He said he could take it again instead of waiting for the required 30 days. After passing the code test, he took the Novice and Technician exams and passed them both. It really surprised him when he was told he passed the Technician because he was able to get the renewable five year call along with the Novice call. Just getting past the code test was a real thrill that he accomplish the feat. Also, since he had passed the Technician exam, he only had to pass the 13 WPM code to upgrade to General. At that time, Technician only had privileges above 220 megacycles. Since the Advanced Class would end at the end of 1952, he would have to wait 2 years to be able to take the Amateur Extra and get on 75 and 20 meter phone. Oh well, after getting his General, he had plenty of time to work up to 20 WPM.

He received his license in early October but still had no transmitter, only a receiver, so he could not get on the air. The nearest hams lived 30 miles away and he did not know but one of them after writing a postcard and visiting him. So with a little help from Mom and Dad again, he purchased a Harvey-Wells TBS-50D transmitter. It ran 50 watts from 80 to 2 meters on AM and CW. It had no TVI shielding and did cause problems to TV's in the area with the only station being 115 miles away! It came in

on the train via Railway Express on late December 24th. He got it home and hooked it up. He was too nervous to try to get on the air that night.

On Christmas Day, he hit the airways for the first time. At a breakneck speed of about 3 or 4 wpm, he called CQ at 2:45 PM on 3.725 megacycles for a couple of minutes but no answer. Then he heard a station calling CQ on the same frequency. He called WN4YHI at 2:50 PM but no return. At 3 PM, he call CQ again for 3 minutes but again no answer. At 3:25 he called CQ for another 3 minutes at the same blazing speed! Still no answer. At 3:30, he heard WN4YHI calling CQ again. So he returned the call. He was answered by WN4YHI and it scared him so much that he almost jumped out the second floor window. Then the marathon started. The other station sent his name and QTH but the new ham was still too nervous to copy the code. He sent his name and QTH and asked for a repeat. WN4YHI was very patient and sent it again. Another repeat requested. Finally, he got the name of George. Now to get the QTH. George sent it about 4 or 5 more times before it finally got through as Fremont, NC. Signal strength was not a problem as they were both 599 reports. Not much conversation except exchange of signal reports, name, QTH and age for a contact that lasted 1 hour and 45 minutes! George was 16, a year younger than the nervous operator. At least the young operator had communicated on Morse Code over the radio. Many QSOs with George later.

After a couple of tries 3 1/2 months later, he passed the 13 WPM and received the General license. On the air operation helped the code speed more than anything else. Passing the code test again was a bigger thrill than the 5 WPM. The FCC changed the rules again, so Generals received all privileges. He was able to get on the air and talk to the hams on 75 meters that he have been listening to for years.

In 1967, the FCC announced incentive licensing which is still in effect in a changed form today. But because the General license was going to loose privileges, the Amateur Extra was next and he started working on the code again. Get-

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Yakkey-Dee-Yak from Dave

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ting on the air and working DX helped a lot. In 1968 before incentive licensing became effective, he passed 20 WPM and that still has to be one of the greatest thrills of all in his Amateur Radio experience. He is not a code person and still struggles with it but is happy to have it in his background.

With the FCC doing away with the code test for Amateur Radio licenses, most future hams and upgrades will not

experience the thrill and satisfaction of learning the Morse Code.

It remains to be seen on what effect this will have on Amateur Radio with the FCC doing away with the code and the written exams being made easier all the time. What else is wanted from the FCC? Already, someone on eHam.com wants to grandfather in all the Advanced licensee to Extra. No written exams next? Anytime something is handed to someone on a silver platter, they just want more! Welfare?

The ARRL must be really happy.

They announced that sales of General Class license training materials skyrocketed in the week after the FCC announcement. Wonder about CW materials?

The young ham back in the 50's was WN4YDY/W4YDY and I'm very happy that is the route I was required to take. If there had been no code for a license back then, I would have taken advantage of it and never made 7,823 CW contacts so far. And I would have never had the great experiences of using an International language. - W4YDY

FCC eliminates Morse code as an exam requirement!

Early next year, the US will join the growing list of countries that no longer require Amateur Radio applicants to pass a Morse code test as the entry ticket to HF. Announcement of the pending historic rule change arrived with no fanfare December 15 in an FCC public notice. A full-blown Report and Order (R&O) in the proceeding, WT Docket 05-235, followed December 19. The best estimate of when the Morse code requirement will go away officially is sometime in February -- 30 days after the R&O appears in the Federal Register.

"We . . . believe that the public interest is not served by requiring facility in Morse code when the trend in amateur communications is to use voice and digital technologies for exchanging messages," the FCC said in its R&O. "Rather, we believe that because the international requirement for telegraphy proficiency has been eliminated, we should treat Morse code telegraphy no differently from other Amateur Service communications techniques."

The FCC says it deems the current regime of written examinations "sufficient to determine whether a person is qualified to be issued an Amateur Radio operator license."

The FCC cast aside arguments that Morse ability is advantageous in emergencies, concluding that most emergency communication is handled using voice, data, or video techniques. The Commission also turned away assertions that retaining a Morse requirement would help keep out the bad apples.

"The record is devoid of a demonstrated nexus between Morse code proficiency and on-the-air conduct," the FCC observed. It concurred with one com-

menter's observation that "maintaining the code requirement does not purge Amateur Radio of bad operators. Education and self-policing does."

The FCC also ordered that all Technician licensees present and future -- whether or not they've passed a Morse code test, will get privileges on 80, 40, 15 and 10 meters identical to those of Novice licensees. "In eliminating this disparity between Technician and Technician Plus licenses, we are simplifying the Amateur Service licensing structure and promoting regulatory parity," the FCC said.

The FCC took advantage of the occasion to act on the League's Petition for Partial Reconsideration in the "omnibus" proceeding, WT Docket 04-140, calling on the Commission to retain 3620 to 3635 kHz for automatically controlled digital stations by moving the Extra class phone band edge to 3635 kHz. The FCC decided instead to authorize 3585 to 3600 kHz for such operations, and leave the newly expanded phone band intact. The Commission further amended Part 97 "to authorize Amateur Extra class privileges to all individuals who have been issued a CEPT radio-amateur license by their country of citizenship, and who satisfy other requirements in the Commission's rules."

Although the FCC's Morse code decision came as no surprise, it nonetheless revived debate on the issue. The FCC had proposed more than a year ago to drop the Morse code requirement for all license classes. The record in the proceeding, the FCC said, "reflects a division of views in the Amateur Radio community." After reviewing the more than 3500 comments and counter-proposals radio amateurs had filed, the Commission stuck with its initial pro-

posal.

ARRL President Joel Harrison, W5ZN, had this reaction: "While the Commission's decision to delete the Morse code requirement for an Amateur Extra Class license departs from the ARRL's recommendation, it is helpful to have the matter resolved so we can move forward."

ARRL CEO David Sumner, K1ZZ, expressed a similar viewpoint. "Now that the debate is over, we can focus on learning Morse code simply for its own sake," he said. Sumner pledged that the League would maintain its traditional support of Morse code as an operating mode and would continue to offer Morse training materials as well as such incentives as bonus credit for CW contacts in ARRL-sponsored operating events. ARRL's Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Station W1AW will keep its schedule of Morse code practice and bulletin transmissions.

Since World Radiocommunication Conference 2003, the UK, Canada, Germany and other countries have dropped their Morse requirements. Sumner said other countries have successfully made the transition to a codeless testing regime, and he doesn't anticipate problems in the US.

The pending disappearance of the Morse code requirement seems to have rejuvenated the urge to upgrade. ARRL Sales and Marketing Manager Bob Inderbitzen, NQ1R, says distribution of General Class license training materials have skyrocketed in the week after the FCC announcement.

The ARRL has posted information relevant to the FCC action in WT Docket 05-235, including an FAQ, on its Web site <<http://www.arrl.org/fcc/morse/>>. - via ARRL Letter Online 12/22/06

BARC 2006 Christmas Party and Awards

Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, BARC Ham of the Year. Dave Pulver, KG4CZV, was awarded BARC Ham of the Year at the BARC 2006 Christmas party. Everyone enjoyed a great meal with all the good food available. There was more than enough so no one had an excuse of leaving hungry.

After the meal, Mike Langley, KD4MTT, was MC and as usual did an outstanding job. He presented the awards as follows: OM of the Year, Taylor Miller, W4WTM; YL of the Year, Bonnie Pulver, KG4CZW; New Member of the Year, Ted Bertrand, KI4PWX; Field Day Chairman, Murray Merner, K4MHM; Call Sign Trustee and VE Liaison, Tom Parsons, W4TEP; Public Relations, Pat Williams, KG4NSC; Ham Chatter and Web site Editor, Dave Langley, W4YDY; Ham Chatter Associate Editor, Amanda Karr, KI4IWS; Volunteer Examiners Richard Cox, K4CRD, Gerry Clayton, K4IDD, Byron Highland, K4BMH, Bob Moore, N4USB, Murray Merner, K4MHM, and Dave Langley, W4YDY.

Dave Pulver, KG4CZW, presented awards to the officers for 2006 as follows: President Dave Pulver, KG4CZW; First Vice President, Dan Drake, W4ISO; Second Vice President Taylor Millar, W4WTM; Secretary Richard Cox, K4CRD; Terry Monday, K4ZYD; and Board Members John McCoy, K4KBB and Mike Langley, KD4MTT.



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BARC Meeting Minutes - December 2006

BARC MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES VFW HALL, MUMFORD RD. December 12, 2006

Dave Pulver **KG4CZV**, Club President called the meeting to order at 1900 and welcomed everyone to the annual Christmas Party. The roster book was passed around to record attendance.

Terry, **K4ZYD**, returned Thanks for the meal.

After the meal, which was wonderful and enjoyed by all, Dave, **KG4CZV**, and Mike, **KD4MTT**, gave out awards and certificates.

The awards were:

New Ham of the Year: Ted Bertrand, **KI4PWX**
OM of the Year Taylor Millar, **W4WTM**
YL of the Year: Bonnie Pulver, **KG4CZW**
Elmer of the Year: Peter Van Houten, **KG4WEZ**
Ham of the Year: Dave Pulver, **KG4CZV**

Certificates were given to the Officers, VE's and Board members of the Club.

Walt Honea, **W4HM**, was recognized as being a Ham for 70 years.

The 2007 Officers and Board members were introduced;

President; Dave Pulver, **KG4CZV**
1st VP: Dan Drake, **W4ISO**
2nd VP Taylor Millar, **W4WTM**
Secretary: Murray Merner, **W4MHM**
Treasurer; Richard Cox, **K4CRD**
One Year Board Member:
Joel Muhaluk, **KI4LMY**
Two Year Board Member:
Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**

With nothing further, Dave, **KG4CZV**, thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Richard Cox, K4CRD

BARC Board Minutes - December 2006

BARC BOARD MEETING December 19, 2006

Dave Pulver, **KG4CZV**, called the meeting to order at 1930 EST. Attendees were: Mike Langley, **KD4MTT**, John McCoy, **K4KBB**, Dave Langley, **W4YDY**, Terry Monday, **K4ZYD**, Pat Williams, **KG4NSC**, Murray Merner, **K4MHM**, and Richard Cox, **K4CRD**.

Secretary's Report: Richard, **K4CRD**, gave the Secretary's report.

Treasury's Report: Terry, **K4ZYD**, gave the Treasurers report.

Health & Welfare: None

Programs: The program for the next

meeting will be by our Section Manager Tim Slay, **N4IB**. Philip Williams of Channel 9 will be our speaker for the February meeting.

Publicity: Pat, **KG4NSC**, nothing to report

Equipment: Mike, **KD4MTT**, nothing to report.

Ham Chatter: Dave, **W4YDY**, nothing to report.

Old Business: Dave, **KG4CZV**, reported the tickets for the raffle have been received.. John, **K4KBB**, purchased the lanterns from Sam's for the minor prizes for the raffle and donated them to the club.. The raffle will begin in January.

New Business: A discussion was held concerning possibly checking out the clubs radio equipment to members to encourage participation and use the equipment instead of keeping it in storage. With the elimination of Morse code, Technicians will be able to get on HF and operate. This would be a way of assisting and training in the operation of the equipment. More will be coming on this in the future..

Dave, **KG4CZV**, with no further business closed the meeting at 2030 EST.

Respectfully submitted by

Richard Cox, K4CRD

FIRST NO CODE, THEN.....

Message: First no code, then... Washington D.C.- It was announced yesterday that Kellogg's of Battle Creek, Michigan, and the Federal Communications Commission have signed a pact to issue Amateur Radio Licenses on specially marked boxes of Corn Flakes. In this unprecedented move the FCC be-

lieves this will not hurt amateur radio but allow all individuals to receive an amateur radio license without having to demonstrate any skills with the exception of being able to use a pair of scissors to cut out their operating permit from the breakfast cereal box. Kellogg's spokesperson commented that they were proud to have

been selected by the government to be the issuer of licenses for amateur radio in the US and hope to soon make an agreement with other cereal loving countries. They also expect that will be issuing certificates of achievement for DXCF for confirmed contacts with 100 corn flakers. -
via Internet forum - author unknown ☺

Santa's mobile run?



Editor's note: The following was posted on a county hunter forum Planned Trips page.

S4NTA - 12-25-06 to 12-25-06 - Both SSB and CW

As in the past hundred and some odd years, I can't remember, I will be running all 3077 counties of the United States from about midnight to 5 AM your local time.

I will run SSB and CW and all known frequencies and modes. As I have to move fast, please be ready with your transmitters.

I know some of you are waiting for items I may be leaving, but as in the past, that will not affect the run. Conditions will be perfect and everyone will get the county they need. All Last County awards go to RDOLF, and Mobile Reply Cards can be sent to my North Pole address. If you hear noises on the roof, I am not stealing your antennas. There may be some animal debris left, that is all. (By the way, that down the chimney thing is just an internet email hoax).

Leaving milk and cookies is ok, but beer and pizza is preferred.

I have the list, and I see some of you have been naughty, but most have been nice. If you want on this list, please advise. I may be at the bottom of the page soon, please QSY and Have a Very Nice Xmas Day.

Big Red S4NTA
hotredsleigh@northpolehighspeed.net

GIBBERISH

The duck hunter trained his retriever to walk on water. Eager to show off this amazing accomplishment, he asked a friend to go along on his next hunting trip. Saying nothing, he fired his first shot and, as the duck fell, the dog walked on the surface of the water, retrieved the duck and returned it to his master. "Notice anything?" the owner asked eagerly. "Yes," said his friend, "I see that fool dog of yours can't swim." From QRZ.COM

Be sure to keep your address current with the FCC or you may lose you license!

**FCC Enforcement Bureau
 Spectrum Enforcement Division
 1270 Fairfield Road
 Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325-7245
 November 7, 2006**

Larry J. Maniag
 Payson, AZ 85541

SUBJECT: Termination of Suspension of Amateur Operator's license KD7JTG
 Case #EB-2003-289

Dear Mr. Maniag:

By letter dated June 28, 2006, you were given notice of suspension of your Amateur operator's license, pursuant to Sections 303(m)(1) and (2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§303(m)(1) and (2), and Section 97.23 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §97.23. Correspondence to you had been returned by the Postal Service and classified as "unclaimed" and "unable to forward."

You responded and explained the address problem, stating that you resumed receiving mail at that address. Therefore the suspension proceeding has been terminated. Thank you for your cooperation.

cc: Northeastern Regional Director

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 6/7.....	ARRL RTTY Roundup	Feb 17/18.....	ARRL CW DX Contest
Jan 9.....	Regular Meeting	Feb 24/25.....	CQ WW SSB 160M Contest
Jan 20/21.....	ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes	Feb 27.....	Board Meeting
Jan 27/28.....	CQ WW CW 160M Contest	Mar 3.....	<i>Ham Chatter</i> Deadline
Jan 30.....	Board Meeting	Mar 3/4.....	ARRL SSB DX Contest
Feb 3.....	<i>Ham Chatter</i> Deadline	Mar 13.....	Regular Meeting
Feb 10/11.....	CQ WPX RTTY Contest	Mar 24/25.....	CQ WW SSB WPX Contest
Feb 13.....	Regular Meeting	Mar 25.....	Downeast Hamfest - Kinston
Feb 16.....	BARC VE Session	Apr 1.....	RARSFest Raleigh

Regular Meeting - 2nd Tuesday @ 7:30 PM
Board Meeting - Last Tuesday @ 7:30 PM

BARC 2 METER NET - MONDAY NIGHTS AT 8:00 PM - 147.09 W4GDF REPEATER - 131.8 Tone
PCEC 2 METER NET - MONDAY NIGHTS AT 9:00 PM - 147.09 W4GDF REPEATER - 131.8 Tone
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