GARLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB 1027-B Austin Street, Garland, TX 75040-5608

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People from all walks of life are Ham Radio Operators: from kings of distant countries to rock stars, astronauts, politicians, reporters, scientists, housewives, and many others.



Since 1957 the Garland Amateur Radio Club has offered programs for both educational and civic activities.

We are an ARRL Special Services Club supporting a full complement of activities, including Field Day participation, license classes, and active support of public service events.

Where Amateur Radio is Fun Again!™

Please visit our club's web site for more information: <u>www.k5qhd.org</u>.

The club also maintains the Garland Emergency Communications Center located in downtown Garland.

We hold our meetings on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Garland Women's Building at 713 Austin Street at Glenbrook, just west of the Garland Public Library. A short social meeting starts at 7:00 p.m., followed at 7:30 p.m. by programs of interest to the amateur radio community. If you would like to join the GARC, or obtain more information, drop by any club meeting. Visitors are always welcome! We actively support education to help you get your first amateur radio license or to upgrade it. Classes are offered during the year for theory and in practical applications.

Come by 1027-B Austin Street next to Garland Fire Station One at noon on the 1st Saturday and 9 a.m. on the 3rd Saturday of the month for doughnuts, coffee, and good conversation.

You need not be a GARC member to attend these events.

The Garland Amateur Radio Club is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. You can join our club on the main web site or make a tax deductible donation.



Amateur Radio, "Ham Radio," is like peeling an onion – there are so many layers and avenues of interest

The GARC Offers:

- Monthly meetings with guest speakers on a wide variety of topics. Held on the 4th Monday of the month.
- Access to our VHF/UHF repeater systems
- Emergency communications through RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services) and ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Services)
- Training and mentoring
- Amateur radio test preparation
- Storm spotting plus training by NOAA National Weather Service
- 1st Saturday of the month "hands-on" projects and socializing
- 3rd Saturday of the month open houses for hamming and socializing
- Thursday lunch socials at a local restaurant (see our web site for location)

Something for Everyone:

- Civic support during disasters, coordinated with Garland Office of Emergency Management (OEM)
- Support for public service events, such as the Dallas Marathon and others
- Two-way voice and/or data communications (both local and global)
- Remote control of aircraft, water, and land-based vehicles
- Scientific research in the fields of electronics, physics, and antenna design
- Talk directly to the International Space Station or to others via satellite
- For much, much more see the <u>www.arrl.org</u> web site

Getting Started is Easy and Can be Inexpensive

All you need to do is spend time with a beginner study guide. The ARRL and W5YI both produce high quality guides to prepare you with all you need to know to pass your entry level FCC license exam. The test, given by volunteer examiners in your area, cover basic electricity and on the air radio rules. The test is only 35 multiple choice questions, the study guides give you the answers, and *Morse code is no longer a requirement*. Entry-level radios can cost under \$50.

Come join us at Garland's Winters Park from noon on the fourth Saturday of June until noon Sunday for the ARRL-sponsored Field Day

We will provide hamburgers & hot dogs with beans and potato salad at Field Day. We usually serve at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday evening. Please bring your favorite beverage to drink and share with others. You are encouraged to bring a side dish like chips or a salad, a dessert, or a snack that can be consumed at any time during the day.

We will accept donations if you enjoy your food.

Winters Park is located on the northeast corner of Arapaho Road and North Garland Avenue in Garland, TX. Going south on N. Garland Ave. from the toll road, turn east at Hawaiian Falls and then turn south on Spring Creek Drive. On eastbound Arapaho Road or westbound North Garland Avenue, turn north on Spring Creek Drive. Field Day will be on the west side of Spring Creek Drive.

Bring the family, because even the kids can talk on the radio. Whatever you do, come on out to visit and say howdy.