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### Club Stuff...

Dan, *AF7EF*, and Byron, *AA7BM*, have stepped forward and taken the proverbial bull by the horns and volunteered to head up 2014 Field Day and Graham county fair/EAARS 40th anniversary Special Event station operations. Great job guys!

Please contact them with your interest in these events.

The May meeting will be a potluck. Grace, *KB7CSE*, will make spaghetti and meatballs and the club will provide sodas and water. **Please bring a dish to share.** 

### XYL Getting Involved!

Communities have changed! No matter if we are up or down in our economy one thing is for certain...someone ALWAYS needs a little help!

That is where I step in. I am not financially able to help all those I feel the need to help, but I am able to put my back into helping and making a positive impact in our community. I also know many of you feel the same way. Money is always a touchy subject! I quit the corporate world so money doesn't flow as it did while I was working. If you can't help out physically, you donate.

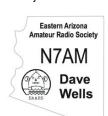
2004 was a life changer for us! We lost my granddaughter to prematurity. We almost lost our grandson, too. You see, they were twins! That is a pain I wish on NO ONE! It can't be explained,

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# **EAARS Badges**

Club badges are now available, see: http://www.eaars.com/newsletter/badges.htm For ordering information. Show your club colors!





#### **EAARS OPEN REPEATERS**

PL 141.3 UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE ECHOLINK: 614350 IRLP: 7787 HELIOGRAPH PEAK AT SAFFORD, AZ: 146.860, 440.700 LINKED 146.900 145.010 PACKET 447.825 WITH CLOSED REMOTE BASE PL 100.0 OR 141.3

JACKS PEAK AT SILVER CITY, NM: 145.210 LINKED

PINAL PEAK AT GLOBE, AZ: 145.410 LINKED

SOUTH MT AT ALPINE, AZ: 145.270 LINKED

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LITTLE FLORIDA AT DEMING, NM: 147.060 LINKED

MULE MT AT BISBEE, AZ: 147.080 LINKED

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just felt. You have lots of time to think and talk in the NICU unit. We prayed for our granddaughter. She was now in God's hands. Watching my grandson grow and LIVE, I had time to think! I met some incredible women involved with March for Babies! I wanted to help and honor their hard work. I started volunteering for many organizations. Helping where I was needed. Learning about our community's needs! Making my granddaughter proud! I made a decision. I wanted my ham radio ticket so I could do more! I no longer wished to be called "third party" in radio conversations. I prepared myself. I studied. I earned my ham radio license in 2006! Now, I incorporate ham radio into my passion of helping our community! Those who know why I volunteer are just awesome! When I organize my Team for these events, they are the first to come to my rescue and volunteer! I love these people! I have met so many wonderful people in my years of volunteering and ham radio. By "word of mouth," we now help the American Cancer Society (ACS) with their events. Our time to ACS is in memory to my husband, Chris, N77ND's parents, Juanita and Leonard. Our time to March for Babies is in memory of our granddaughter, Kalola AND in Honor of our grandson, Jacobnow 10, great nephews, Easton and Broady-now 4 who are living beautiful healthy lives!

THANK YOU to all who help your community!

THANK YOU to those who jump in to help me at the drop of a hat!

I am organizing my Communications Team for the March for Babies Tucson event on Sunday, April 27th! The event is at Reid Park, with registration starting at 7 am. My Communications Team is in place by 6:45 am. If you have never helped in an event but thought about it, call me. These events are fun and they go quick. If you talk on the radio this is a cinch. The best thing? They are fun while helping our community raise money for some awesome organizations. Bottom line...It feels good to help!

### 2014 Officers and Staff

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Thank you!

Angie Buchanan, N7EMB – You may contact me at emberfire29@gmail.com or on the EAARS system.

# **Ham License Testing**

There are four monthly VE test sessions in the **Tucson Area.** 

Lighthouse YMCA/ARRL: First Thursday Contact Matt, AC7IL, veregistration@ac7il.org

Oro Valley/ARRL: First Saturday Contact David, AK2L, ak2l@arrl.net

RST/Laurel (No Fee): Second Monday Contact Diane, AA30F, dzimmerman2002@gmail.com

Jacobs Park YMCA/ARRL: Third Saturday Contact Fred, K70FA, k7ofa@arrl.net

#### Graham / Greenlee County Area

For VE testing on request, please contact Dave, *N7AM*, and he will arrange it.

#### **Technician License Class - Tucson**

Every Tuesday, 6:30 - 9:00pm at TMC. Contact Dan, KC7VDA for info. kc7vda@gmail.com

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Send Event and Calendar additions to newsletter@eaars.com



**www.salvage-1.com** buys up surplus lots at auction and re-sells it at attractive prices. The variety is constantly changing, check it out!

# Coming Events

Near and Far...

- Tucson Ham Radio Picnic: Apr 12 www.tucsonhampicnic.com
- New Mexico QSO Party: April 12 www.newmexicoqsoparty.org
- Empty Your Pockets and Smile, No More Toys for You!: April 15





The Tucson Ham Radio Picnic will be taking place on Saturday, April 12th at Christopher Columbus Park, Ramada #4 in Tucson. The spring and fall picnic was the creation of Terry Hashman – **KB5B** (sk) and his wife Dee – **KE7BYP** who believed that Hams should get together twice a year for an Eyeball QSO picnic. A core group has continued to carry on Terry's wish.

All Hams and their families are invited to attend this great event. This is a special invitation to the EAARS membership and all users of the EAARS system. The spring Ham Radio picnic is held at Ramada #4 which is right next to a small lake. Signs will direct you to the Ramada. There's plenty of room for the kids (and adults) to run around and play. This is a Pet Friendly picnic. All pets are welcomed.

This is a Potluck style picnic. You are welcome to bring something to share. Please visit our website at tucsonhampicnic.com for the potluck list. There's a signup list for things we need and we also encourage you to bring your own specialties to share. There's always plenty of food to go around. Please bring your own drinks. Drinks and ice will not be provided.. Watch the website for details.

The RST "Radio Days in the Park" group will be there setting up radios to operate and demo to the public. You are welcome to join them by bringing your own gear and setting it up and have fun operating from the park. This is a very neat thing to see and participate in.

We hope you will make plans to attend the Tucson Ham Radio Picnic. Please visit the website at www.tucsonhampicnic.com for ALL the details. We will talk you in on 146.520 simplex. People start gathering around 11am and lunch will be served around noon. We will then gather for a group photo.

See ya at the picnic.

Chris, N77ND