

# KARS KEY KLICKS



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## Protect yourself and your loved ones from the Chinese Pandemic

The November 2020 KARS meeting has also been cancelled due to the Communist Chinese government's plague upon the world.

With each passing month, we get closer to the day when we will be inoculated and life will return to normal.

Until then, be safe, stay healthy and have the most enjoyable Thanksgiving possible!

### Tim Focken W9TRF SK

We deeply regret to report the passing of another KARS member. Tim Focken W9TRF of Watseka passed away on October 12th. Tim was 54, held an Extra Class license, and was well known for his antenna work for other hams. We extend our deepest sympathies to Tim's xyl Janet KC9LBZ and family.

### NEWS YEARS EVE DINNER

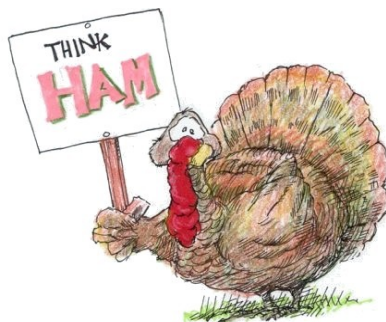
While it's probable that due to the Chinese Plague, we will not be able to have the annual informal KARS New Years Eve dinner at El Mexicano's this year, we added this small column just in case a vaccine is soon available and everything falls into place.

In the meantime...BUY AMERICAN or at least from friendly, honest countries!

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- November 2nd N9BMB
- November 3rd KC9FAV
- November 6th KD9FVR
- November 8th KC6FJO
- November 10th KC9QPM
- November 12th N9IO
- November 20th AI9L

Let us know if we miss your birthday or get it wrong.



Happy Thanksgiving!

### NOMINATIONS

The Board of Directors is working on how to hold nominations and elections is the face of the Chinese Plague.

We hope to have information for the membership soon. Stay tuned!

### KARS KALENDAR

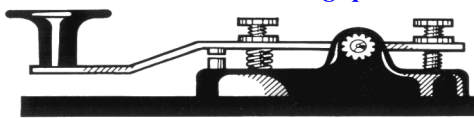
- Nov 3 *Cancelled* [KARS General Meeting](#)
- Nov 14...wx pending.....[Transmitter Hunt](#)
- Nov 17.....[KARS Board Meeting](#)
- Nov 26.....**THANKSGIVING!**
- Nov 28...wx pending.....[Transmitter Hunt](#)
- Dec 1 *Cancelled* [KARS General Meeting](#)
- Dec 15.....[KARS Board Meeting](#)
- Dec 25/31....**CHRISTMAS! & NY EVE**

*The Kankakee Area Radio Society operates repeaters on:*

- 146.34/.94      107.2 PL Access
- 449.8/444.8    100.0 PL Access
- 145.130        107.2 PL Access

*Additionally, KARS sponsors:*

*144.39 2 Wide Area APRS digi-peaters*



# W9AZ

### WELCOME SOLAR CYCLE 25!

Yes, we have sunspots again...finally! A particularly large one, nearly 8 times the size of the Earth appeared a few days ago and there has been DX action on 10 and 12 Meters.

Check out:

[www.spaceweatherwoman.com](http://www.spaceweatherwoman.com) or [www.spaceweather.com](http://www.spaceweather.com) for the latest Solar news.

### NEW KARS EMERGENCY COORDINATOR

KARS emergency coordinator Harry Seyfert WD9FYF has resigned after many years due to health issues.

Brian Hanners KD9NPQ has stepped forward to fill that position. The KARS Board looks forward to working with him. Be sure to thank and congratulate Brian for his selflessness in this important position.

### KARS KONTEST KALENDAR

- Nov 7-9.....[ARRL Sweepstakes CW](#)
- Nov 14-15.....[WAE DX RTTY Contest](#)
- Nov 21-23...[ARRL Sweepstakes SSB](#)
- Nov 28-29.....[CQWW DX CW](#)
- Dec 4-6.....[ARRL 160 Contest](#)
- Dec 12-13.....[ARRL 10 Meter Contest](#)
- Dec 26-27.....[Stew Perry 160 Contest](#)

### NCS FOR NOVEMBER

The net meets every Monday at 2000 hours local time on the 146.34/.94 or 145.130 backup repeater. All stations with or without traffic are invited to check in.

- November 2nd K9NR
- November 9th K9KSG
- November 16th KD9NPQ
- November 23rd N9DWE
- November 30th N9OE

## Good Luck in the Fall Contest Season!

KARS HOMEPAGE— **WWW.W9AZ.COM** —KARS HOMEPAGE

**October 3rd Transmitter Hunt**

**October 17th Transmitter Hunt**

Country Road take me home (SSW of town)

Momence Island Park



**NN9T “The fish was this big”**



**K9NR, the Fox and friends**



**The lineup at N9IO, the fox’s lair**



**Beautiful day on Momence Island**



**Winner K9NR’s safe spacing picture**



**Winner N9IO checks out the fox’s antenna**