

# Seaside Tsunami Amateur Radio Society

## The WA7VE

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### Next Class for the Technician License

- Date: May 1st & 2nd 2009
- Location: Clatsop Community College South County campus at 1455 N. Roosevelt Next to Diamond Heating.
- Fri. 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- Sat. 9:00am to 4:00pm
- Bring a calculator, pencil, and notebook both days. Saturday you also need to bring a lunch, Picture I.D. & SSN.
- Pre-register by E-mail at: ab7ho@charter.net
- Testing Sat. after the Class.

### STARS Meeting.

Sat. March 14th @ 5pm  
—CCC Seaside Campus -  
Address 1455 N. Roosevelt  
Mtgs: 2nd Sat Each Month

### The STARS Newsletter-

Roxann Holwege AB7HO  
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### STARS Officers & Board

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## New General on the Air with HF

On March 6th, one of the most recent YL Hams HF antenna was raised and put on the air. This antenna party was hosted by Pat Tanner KE7RBM. With the help of friends, Pat got her new G5RV All-Band Antenna, 40 ft high up in the air with the help of galvanized steel pipe.



Pat, with the help of her son and friends, began the procedure Friday morning with the welding of the pipe that would be come her mast and fixtures for the guy lines. By Friday evening the 40 foot pole was setting in a 3 foot deep hole and guy lines were maintaining stability.

Saturday March 7th the process was completed with the pouring of cement,

hanging and tuning the antenna, then trying the whole set-up on the Air. The ground rod was sunk, under a tree very near the house by another friend of Pat's. He also dug the post hole for the antenna mast. Good thing we've had rain, the soil was no resistance.

On site, and early morning supervision and guidance provided by Hal WA7FIV and Jeff AB7DN .



Way to go Pat, Congrats on being on the air with your new Ham Radio General Class privileges.

Story by Terry KE7QRF. 73

## Classes and Testing still going strong

Please pass on congratulations to our newest upgrades and new hams.

Upgrading to General in the last month is Terry Williams KE7QFR, Bob Dotson KE7TAF and Russell Roberts KJ4ITA.

Those attending our class and receiving their new

Technician licenses were Aneska Vavrusa KE5ZRV, Tim Anderson KF7ASU, Bob Caswell KF7ASV, Frank Colistro KF7ASW, Andrew Gooch KF7ASX, Mara Gooch KF7ASY, Elizabeth Hadley KF7ASZ, William Jones KF7ATA, Richard Lang KF7ATB,

Leila Salmon KF7ATC, Marsh Tisdale KF7ATD, Don Vernam KF7ATE, Patricia Wilson KF7ATG and a new ham who also tested Tech & General and received his General license is Larry Weidenhoft KF7ATF.

Congratulations to all. 73 Roxann—AB7HO

## SEA-PAC 2009

Mark your calendars everyone, The Sea Pac Ham Radio Convention will be here on June 5th, 6th, and 7th 2009. Buy your tickets now for the Northwest Largest Ham Radio Convention that happens right here in Seaside Oregon. You can go to [www.seapac.org](http://www.seapac.org) to order your tickets online or print off an order form to mail in. By buying your tickets now, you increase your chances to win one of the many door prizes available at SEAPAC.

Several Ham Radios and Accessories are given away free at this event. A few of this years items that will be given away includes: Kenwood TS-480S AT HF thru 6m, Yaesu FTM-10R Dual Band Mobile Radio, Icom IC-208H Dual Band Mobile, 40in LCD Flat Screen HD-

TV, Yaesu FT-8800 as well as a few more radio's. Some of these items you must be present to win. They also have door prizes given away every hour. It's a lot of fun and a great event to participate in and you never know, you could win.

This convention has many of the Ham Radio vendors in attendance displaying and/or selling Ham Radios, Antennas, and other Ham Radio related gear. There will be both new and used gear for sale.

There is also a YL luncheon and a Banquet dinner that the ladies can attend. Roxann Holwege AB7HO and Alice Wood K7ERO are the guest speakers at the YL Luncheon this year.

There will be seminars offered that will cover different aspects of the hobby. ARRL Forum, Making Field Day a Success, ARES/RACES in Oregon, NTS Training or Let's Send a Message, Emergency Preparedness, ARES D-Star Project, Getting Into Digital, New Ideas on HF Verticals for the Low Bands, Amateur Television ATV, Equipment Building, Portable Antennas, Outpost Messenger Program

This is a great opportunity for you to meet other Ham Radio Operators from around the Northwest, as well as see some of the new Ham Radio gear that is available for purchase.

See you at SEAPAC 2008

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## Kelly's Contest Corner

*For those of you who would like to get into contesting on VHF here is a website to check out for complete contest rules.*

<http://pnwvhfs.org/scores/LewisClark.htm>

*The Pacific Northwest VHF Society* offers several certificates for those who enjoy contacting stations located in Grid Squares.

Award Certificates will be issued for confirmed contacts from 50 Mhz to light. Contacts must be confirmed via QSL, eQSL, or LotW.

1. The Captain Lewis Certificate will be given to any station who activates all the grids within the State of Washington with any combination of bands.
2. The Captain Clark Certificate will

be given to any station who activates all the grids within the State of Oregon with any combination of bands.

*If you want to try for a larger area the ARRL has more information on the State QSO Contest. Here is the website for that contest rules.*

<http://www.arrl.org/awards/vsqso/>

## Ham Radio Happenings

### Ham Radio Classes for 2009

Here are the dates for the rest of this years classes in Seaside at Clatsop Community College.

May 1st and 2nd.  
July 31st and August 1st.  
October 2nd and 3rd

Times and additional information are located on the front page of this newsletter. Please pass on to your family and friends. Register with Roxann Holwege AB7HO at [ab7ho@charter.net](mailto:ab7ho@charter.net)

### YL NET & Breakfast

Remember Sunday's at 8pm on the local repeaters and Beach-net system is the YL net. It is open for all YL's (women of any age) to check in and visit with other YL's. Breakfast is on Mar. 21st at 9am at Bagels by the Sea in Seaside. (3rd Sat. 9am)

### Hams & Eggs in Seaside

We currently meet at 8:00am every Thursday at Riley's restaurant. The 1st Thursday of each month with be at a restaurant other than Riley's.

### Seaside Technical Net

#### TUESDAY

Tuesday's are the night to check into the Seaside Technical net. The net is on the STARS repeater on a Frequency of 145.490 PL 118.8 at 7pm.

### Seaside Tsunami Net

#### WEDNESDAY

Wednesday's are the night to check into the Seaside Tsunami net on 146.400 simplex at 7pm.