

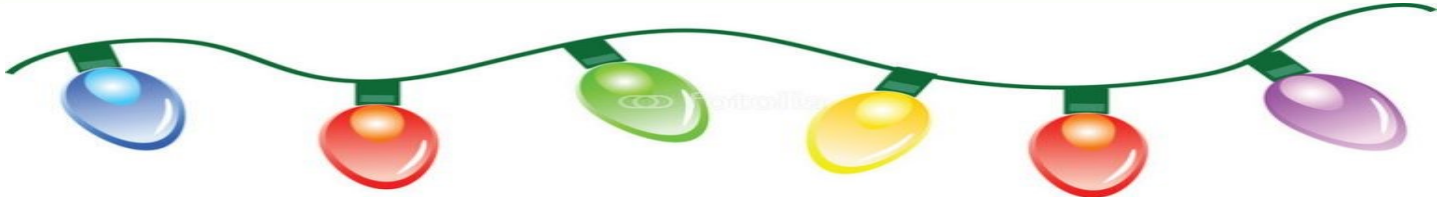


WELCOME TO THE

ARRL-ROANOKE DIVISION

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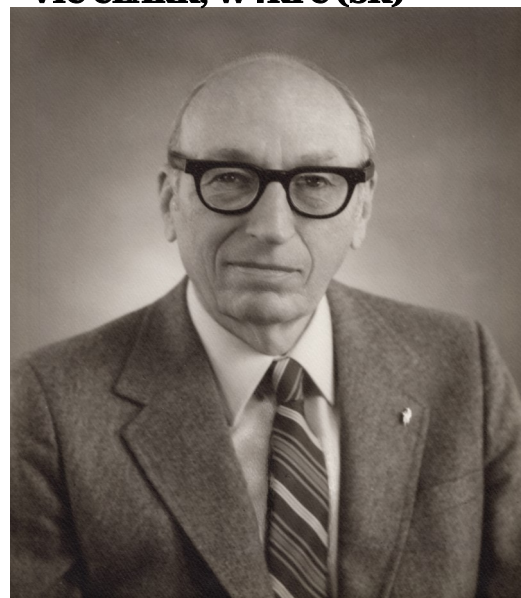


ROANOKE DIVISION SERVICE AWARD IS BACK

The pandemic has taken a toll on many Ham Radio activities, including the Roanoke Division Service Award, the division's highest honor. With almost all hamfests cancelled and club meetings slowly moving to videoconferencing, promoting the award took a back seat. To get back on track, we will solicit nominations for the 2019 award until January 31, then have another period for nominations later in 2021 for the 2020 award. The award was instituted in 1968 by then Roanoke Division Director Victor C. "Vic" Clark, W4KFC (SK), who later became ARRL's President. Also nicknamed the "Vic Clark" award, its purpose is to recognize an individual who lives in the division, and who has a demonstrated a history of selfless giving of talents and expertise which has benefitted all Hams who live in the four sections of the Roanoke Division.

More about the award, a list of past recipients and a nomination form can be found on the division's website at <http://arrl-roanoke.com/awards.htm>

VIC CLARK, W4KFC (SK)



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE DECEMBER 31

ARRL has over \$300,000. in scholarship money available to licensed radio amateurs who are pursuing college and university studies. Each year the Foundation awards more than 100 scholarships, many at \$500 and \$1,000 levels, and twenty-four of which range from \$5,000 up to \$25,000. The deadline to apply is December 31, so check out eligibility requirements at <http://www.arrl.org/scholarship-descriptions> – then apply online at <http://www.arrl.org/scholarship-application>.

ARRL Foundation scholarships are funded primarily through the generosity of ARRL members. To help the next generation of hams, please consider a donation to the arm of ARRL which administers the scholarships by sending a check to ARRL Foundation, 225 Main St., Newington, CT 06111. All donations are tax deductible. Please make sure your contribution is payable specifically to *ARRL Foundation* so it will be applied to the scholarship program.

SEE LIST OF ROANOKE DIVISION 2020 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS NEXT PAGE

NINE ROANOKE DIVISION YOUTH RECEIVE ARRL SCHOLARSHIPS

In 2020, nine hams in the Roanoke Division were ARRL scholarship recipients. Congratulations to them on receiving this financial support:

The ARRL Foundation General Fund Scholarship

Ruth Willet, KM4LAO, of Cana, Virginia

The Ernest L. Baulch, W2TX, and Marcia E. Baulch, WA2AKJ, Scholarship

William L. Ferguson, KJ4EYZ, of Virginia Beach, Virginia

The L. B. Cebik, W4RNL, and Jean Cebik, N4TZP, Memorial Scholarship

Carissa L. Ferguson, KJ4EZA, of Virginia Beach, Virginia

The Dayton Amateur Radio Association Scholarship

Matthew W. Spiker, KE8FGB, of Shepherdstown, West Virginia

Logan P. Selph, KN4PTA, of Leland, North Carolina

The Northern California DX Foundation Scholarship

Jonathan Z. Kayne, KM4CFT, of Blacksburg, Virginia

The Shenandoah Valley Amateur Radio Club (SVARC) Scholarship

Michael Geesaman, KJ4SST, of Lanexa, Virginia

The Gary Wagner, K3OMI, Scholarship

Franklin Wei, KN4KUN, of Oak Ridge, North Carolina

The L. Phil and Alice J. Wicker Scholarship

Garner H. Fleming, KK4CLY, of Mebane, North Carolina



RULES ON USING ROANOKE DIVISION FACEBOOK PAGE

Yes, the Roanoke Division has a Facebook page (“ARRL Roanoke Division”), and it’s there for all to use. Anyone can post, but the page is monitored, and inappropriate content will be taken down. Here are the rules on posting:

- Anything clearly violating standard bounds of decency will be removed.
- The Facebook page is meant for announcing amateur radio events and activities of potential interest to hams throughout our four-Section Division. Before posting, please ask yourself if the content is directly related to one or more facets of amateur radio.
- Our Facebook page is designed for regional topics of potential value to all parts of the Division. Content likely to generate only limited geographical interest is discouraged.
- We all enjoy humor, but we ask that you not post jokes of any kind, including ham “humor”, so the page can focus on matters and events of interest to all in our NC, SC, VA, and WV ARRL Sections.



Hamfest Update

Although there have been several small outdoor tailgate swapfests around the Roanoke Division, currently the only major hamfest of which we are aware is the virtual Virginia Section Convention scheduled for Saturday, April 24, 2021. (details forthcoming at: <https://viennawireless.net/wp/events/winterfest/>) It is our hope that 2021 will ultimately turn out to be a “transition” year wherein we see the return of many, if not all, of our traditional hamfests and conventions. We all certainly look forward to visiting with many of you safely in person again! (Photo: RARSfest, courtesy of the Raleigh Amateur Radio Society)



CLUB ANNUAL UPDATES DUE



Many of the 236 ARRL affiliated clubs in the Roanoke Division hold their annual elections during the Fall. ARRL, new and inactive Hams and the general public rely on the listings on ARRL’s club webpage to provide accurate information on when clubs meet, whom to contact and the URL address for the club’s website. After elections take place, the club’s information should be updated by clicking on www.arrl.org/club-update. Although clubs are moving towards social media, many prospective members prefer going to a webpage. If a club does not update its information after two years, ARRL has the option to place the club on inactive status. To avoid this, please have an officer ensure your club’s listing on ARRL’s website is current.



*Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and
Happy New Year !*



We look forward to seeing you in 2021 !!

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