

# Trinity Valley Amateur Radio Club



Spring, 2005

## Happy Easter!

### DOOR PRIZE WINNERS



Congratulations, Linda! Ted presented the \$25 Gift Certificate which was the Door Prize at the January meeting to Linda.



Ted won the Antenna Book which was the door prize at the February meeting. Ted donated his prize to the club to be the beginning of a club library.

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## ARRL FIELD DAY 2005

**What is Field Day?** Ask ten hams and you will likely get ten different sets of details. But somewhere along the way, you will certainly hear the words “**emergency preparedness**” and “**fun**” because these two themes are central to this annual rite of summer.

Field Day is always the fourth full weekend of June, beginning at 1800 UTC Saturday and ending at 2100 UTC Sunday. Field Day 2005 will be held June 25-26, 2005.

One focus of Field Day 2005 is getting youth involved. To accomplish this, a “**Youth Element**” **bonus** has been added to the event. Groups are encouraged to invite youth groups (ages 18 and under) to participate in Field Day. Any group earns bonus points by having youth participants (age 18 or under) completing one Field Day QSO.

The Field Day Committee consists of Ed Puckett, Otis Hanby, Mark Lamar, Dave Pulley, and Jim Malloy. If anyone else is interested in serving on the Committee or helping with Field Day, then contact Ed Puckett. If you have a suggestion for the Committee, Contact Ed.

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# TRINITY VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB WB5HGI OFFICERS

President ..... Ted Scherbel (KF5HV)  
Vice President ..... Jim Malloy (KD5HNZ)  
Treasurer ..... Marline Ballard (N5VVM)  
Secretary ..... Ed Puckett (KD5ZUM)

## MONDAY NIGHT NET

Don't forget to check in to the Club Net at 7:30 on Monday nights! 145.270Mhz, Pl 136.5

## CLUB WEB PAGE

<http://www.tvarc.com>

Check here for information about repeaters, membership and VE Testing.

Webmaster ..... Rusty Mott (WK5R)  
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## VE TESTING

V. E. testing will be held on the last Saturday of each month at 10:00 A.M. in Terrell, Texas. Call Rusty Mott (WK5R) (972) 921-6685 or check the club web site.

## NEWSLETTER

Thanks to e. l. marsden, inc. for donating the printing of our newsletter!

Thanks to all of you who sent me things for the Newsletter. I actually got more than I could use at one time! I will be putting all of that material into this publication. Thank you very much.

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## MEETING NOTICE

LAST TUESDAY  
of THE MONTH  
6:30

MEET AND EAT AT  
CiCi's Pizza

## WHAT'S GOING ON

Howard and Bea have moved to Greenville. Mel was kind enough to take down Howard's antenna and move it so that Howard can have it in Greenville.

Our sympathy goes out to Marline, who lost her brother .



Skip and Marianne have a new baby grandson, born in February. His name is Conner Lee Marsden and he is really cute. He is pictured here with his older sister, Taylor.



Eldon attended the February meeting after his back surgery. He says that with all of the metal he has in his back now, he is the Bionic Man. As of March 12, 2005, the Bionic Man has a new Tower at his house. (See pictures on page 3)

# ELDON'S NEW TOWER



## Undeniable Ham Truths

That antenna is only temporary . . .

The worthless stuff thrown away today shows up on eBay tomorrow.

If you can't sneak it in through the basement window, bring it in through the front door wrapped in a fur coat

You have absolutely no trouble finding your car in a crowded parking lot. (Unless you're at a Hamfest.)

During tornado watches and warnings, we are more concerned about our antennas coming down than we are about our house being blown up.

Computer Nerds think that Hams are the real weirdo's.

"Christmas" and or "birthday" come about 15 times per year (or whenever an unbudgeted radio purchase comes up). Technically, a lot of us shouldn't be getting any more "presents" for the next 10 years!

## INTERESTING HAM RADIO LINKS

### Learn CW

[http://www.9bit.qc.ca/ve2crd/cours/CW\\_course.html](http://www.9bit.qc.ca/ve2crd/cours/CW_course.html)

<http://www.qrz.com/>

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

### The Radio Sky at 408 MHz

[http://antwrp.gsfc.nasa.gov/apod/image/0502/408\\_allsky\\_big.gif](http://antwrp.gsfc.nasa.gov/apod/image/0502/408_allsky_big.gif)

### Amateur stations at the National Hurricane Center

<http://www.fiu.edu/orgs/w4ehw/>

### Pictures of Ham car licenses from all over

<http://wx7b.bloki.com/index.jsp>



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