

JARS - In our
35th Year

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The **VERY first** meeting of 2012
Is this coming Thursday, January 19th
At
The Panther Branch Community
Building

**In this, the Very First Organ of
2012:**

A health update from AK4H
The LOM Report and The Net
Report

This coming Thursday is the very first meeting of the Johnston Amateur Radio Society for the year of 2012! If you don't make it to this meeting, you will never get another chance to attend the very first meeting of this year again, and I can think of no better way to start the year.

Our resident chef "Chef-Bor-R-Tommy" will be fixing some of his world famous "Spaghetti ala Tommy". It is so good that the Italians have been after him for years to give up the recipe. I heard that they even sent the Mafia to try to get him to give it up one time. You need to let Tommy know as soon as you can how many people you will be bringing with you, so he can make sure that you get enough to eat. You can reach Tommy at: n4cbi@yahoo.com.

"Who is the most dangerous person in the world?-A HAM with an idea, some wire...and a bow and arrow in his hand"

New Officers take office:

This year, 2012, JARS is doing something different. OK something else different. Our club officers are starting their duties. In years past, we have had our officers take office after the elections in September, which is just before JARSFest and that has lead to some confusion. This year, our officers terms will run from January 1st thru December 31st. So, at this month's meeting, our new officers will be assuming their duties.

Health Update From AK4H

I think the rumors may be overstated that I was in grave health. I had some kidney problems that put me in the hospital for a few days and I had to undergo dialysis for several days because of my kidney treatments, but have been released and I am no longer having to take dialysis. I had to stop driving for about a week, but now I am on my regular schedule.

Bill, AK4H

The Lid Of The Month Report

Hello JARS Members. The meeting is right around the corner and I can't wait to unload the title of LOM.

Being the LOM does have certain advantages. The "Lid Of The Month" is considered the armpit of the JARS, but there is power in it. I've had all kinds of perks this month. Several of us have even become famous this month on "Face book" because of some bitter, lonely, numbskull had decided to make very negative commentary on everything we say. It's been an interesting month. I also have to say that I enjoy every one of you that spend time on the repeater. Talking to you guys is a very important part of my day, and as usual, it'll probably be one of you "radio active" folk that receives the

coveted award this month. I'll see you all Thursday night and 73

Van KM4TC/LOM, or for Neil's sake: KM4TC_____ *the lid.*

The NET Whip Report

Net sessions: 15
Members participating: 28
Visitors participating: 37
Total check-ins (QNI): 227

Net control operators listing:

KK4BVU	G	5
KI4VBA	M	3
KI4YXO	M	3
KJ4AEO	M	3
KI4WAI	G	1

Top QNI listing:

15	WA2YBM	
14	K4MWE	
14	KT4JR	
13	KJ4QNW	
12	KK4BVU	(Guest)
9	KJ4ZKJ	
9	AE4ME	
9	KE4VNX	
8	KI4YXO	
8	KM4TC	
8	KJ4ZKG	

I'm honored to have served these years as net whip, and I am happy to pass the torch onto Van, KM4TC.

Beginning this month, please send all net reports to him.

73 de
Stephen KI4VBA

Secretary's Report

There is no secretary report this month because the meeting last month was our Annual JARS Christmas Dinner. There was little business conducted, The two biggest business items that took place was the LOM and the Ham of the Year. Van, KM4TC was the recipient of the LOM. Tommy, N4CBI was this years recipient of the Ham of the Year. Congratulations to both.

JARS Roster

I am enclosing as a separate attachment, the revised version of the JARS roster for 2012. If you don't see your name on there, that probably means that you will not be getting a newsletter next month. Thank you for those of us that renewed our membership and we will miss the ones that did not.

JARS Officers for 2012	
President	RobbieKD4WIY
V. President	Billy KJ4ZKJ
Secretary	Peggy KJ4OPH
Treasurer	Paul KD4BJD
Membership	Mike KD4UJC
Net Whip	Van KM4TC
Newsletter	Mike KD4UJC
Ham of the Year Tommy N4CBI	
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That does it for the first edition of the **“Official Organ”** for 2012. Don't forget to check the separately attached roster. Let me know of any corrections. Also, send any articles, reports, or anything else you want in the newsletter to:
jarsmember@hughes.net .

73 de Mike KD4UJC