



**Come out for the BARS Meeting
Thursday October 18th**

Thursday is our meeting date at the at ARISE Assembly of God at 401 Pauls Drive in Brandon. Things get underway at 7:30 p.m. when Scott bangs the gavel to start things off.

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Attention! Hear Ye Hear Ye!

Is anyone interested in purchasing a BARS T-shirt? We have been investigating options and costs. The simplest version would be a black unisex T-shirt with our Logo made from cotton. The Logo could be all white (lowest cost). If we want the state of Florida to be green, this adds to the cost. Included in the cost would be your first name and your call sign. An example is shown below:



The price quotation is shown below (these figures are approximate):

Qty	1 color (all white)	2 color (white with green Florida)
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1 -9 each	\$28.00 each + tax	\$36 each + tax
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If we have 10 or more persons interested, we can get a price break (again, figures are approximate):

10 or more	\$25.48 each + tax	\$32.92 each + tax
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Assuming these price estimates are close, within a dollar or so, are there any members who would be interested in purchasing a shirt? Would you like one color (White only) or two (White with Green Florida)? What size? How many shirts? Other shirt colors are available.

Please send an email to: danaperrin@aol.com

I will get back to those interested with additional details.

THANKS!

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Amateur Operator of the Month

Dana Perrin KM4DTJ

Beginning with this edition of *The Antenna*, each month we will highlight one of our members. This month, we honor one of our more recent new members, Mary Garner (KN4MOO).

Mary was born and grew up in Hanover, Pennsylvania. When she was 16, she and her parents moved to Hillsborough County. In 1993, she moved to Brandon. She is married to Richard Garner (KN4MOP). Mary works in the area of Manufacturing Inventory Control for Sysco International. Her office is in Plant City. Sysco is a leader in food sales, marketing, and distribution. Mary enjoys cooking, kayaking, and hiking. She and her husband are avid astronomers. Mary loves to read and her favorite author is Mary Higgins Clark.



Now for a few bullet points:

Top two things on your Bucket List:

To see the northern lights and vacation at a nice Hawaiian resort.

Favorite quotation:

“A half a loaf of bread shared with a friend is better than having a whole loaf of bread alone.”

Favorite Movie or TV show:

Smokey and the Bandit is a fun movie. We had a Trans Am when we got married.

If a teleporter / time machine existed, where and when would you go?

I would like to go back and have a good visit with my Mom who I lost at a young age.

Tell about a significant mentor in your life:

I have the dearest friend who is older and wiser. She was a confidant who provided support and guided me through my teenage years .

Tell about an accomplishment of which you are proud:

I learned how to drive a stick shift! Lol!

How and when did you become interested in Amateur Radio?

Growing up my father was a radio broadcaster so I had an awareness of radio back then. In experiencing hurricane Irma, I realized how vulnerable the phone system was. Radio is fail safe and during an emergency I could communicate with my husband Richard and others.

What are your plans for the future?

I'm actually looking forward to the day my husband and I retire and do some traveling .

Is there anything you want to add or be sure to include...a message to the BARS Members?

“What a great group of folks.”

Mary and her husband Richard both have HT UHF/VHF radios. In addition, they recently installed VHF/UHF radios in their cars. You may hear them on the BARS 2 meter nets. If you do, please give them a warm welcome!

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That's it for this month. Have fun with radio!

Keep in Mind Our Weekly Nets and Bulletins

Monday 8 p.m. The Two Meter Net 147.765 - 147.165 MHz Hosted by Doris Haskell WB9VDT

Tuesday 7 p.m. 6-meter Roundtable 50.200 MHz USB followed at 8 p.m. with the 10 Meter Roundtable 28.365 MHz USB

Send us your articles AND PICTURES! We do much more in the digital format!

Remember to check out the BARS website:

brandonhamradio.org