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**The Annual JARS Auction is this
Thursday Night at the Panther
Branch Community Building**

Oh yes! Once again we gather at one of the most sacred locations in all of JARSDOM, The Panther Branch JARS Headquarters. It's February and that can only mean one thing- The Annual JARS Auction! You can hear the thrilling sound of the gavel and witness another smile as a "beloved treasure" goes out the door with it's new owner.

The annual JARS auction is this Thursday night at the Panther Branch Club House. Panther Branch is located on State Road Ten-Ten about 200 yards west of the BP station at the intersection of NC 50 and Ten-Ten, which is just a few miles south of Garner. Talk in will be available on the famous Two Seven Repeater if needed.

Harold Johnson, W4MUK has been our trusted auctioneer in years past, however due to circumstances beyond his control, it is unclear at this time if he will be able to be there this time. Fear not (or maybe you should) we have another auctioneer on standby just in case Harold can't make it. Rumor has it that we are trying to get Dave from the show "Auction Wars".

Dinner for this festive event will consist of pizza and...no, NOT beer but softdrinks. You need to let Tommy, N4CBI, know how many people you will be bringing so we can make sure that all those that want a slice of

the pie will have one. Let Tommy know at n4cbi@yahoo.com no later than this Tuesday, the 14th.

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and a few other things!

“Put your hand on a hot stove for a minute, and it seems like an hour. Sit with a pretty girl for an hour, and it seems like a minute. THAT'S relativity.”—Albert Einstein

AUCTION! AUCTION! AUCTION!

Bring money: \$1, \$5, \$10, \$20 and \$100's. KD4BJD will be unloading stuff of all kinds (antennas, radios, books, etc...).

Also, JARS will benefit from a secret donation of radio equipment worth thousands of dollars new. Bring money, trucks and U-Hauls.

Rules of the game

Even though the JARS Auction is an informal, fun filled event, even the JARS have rules and so there will not be any misunderstandings, the *Official JARS Auction Rules* follow:

1- Ham or computer related goods only. Scanners are OK. Absolutely no carburetors, tires, washing machines, knives, guns,

explosives, or weapons permitted. Also, a two meter HT strapped to a lawnmower CAN NOT be sold as a mobile radio!

2- No cleaning out the corner dumpster in search of something to bring to the auction. If it would not sell on eBay, don't bring it here.

3- If you have many small items such as a box load of small parts, you must put them up for auction as a single item. The time limit dictates that we must keep the junk moving to give everyone a chance to sell off his or her stuff.

4- Caveat Emptor! It's your decision to bid and your money to spend or squander. If you bid on NC4BJ's quality equipment and end up with it, you gotta live with it! Don't come bellyaching to the JARS over your disappointment when you sound like BJ.

5- Remember that you may end up having to listen to any junk you sell. If it sounds like crap, make sure the auctioneer knows that it is not to be bid upon by JARS members or anyone that is likely to use it on Two Seven. If you are desperate and don't really care who gets it, at least remove Two Seven from it or otherwise disable that frequency to ensure that it will never be heard on Two Seven again.

7- No tipping the charming auctioneer or his assistants to get preferential handling of your stuff.

8- When the auction is over, do not abandon the junk you can't get rid of like you would an old car left beside the road. See rule number 2.

9- We have been accused of it many times in the past and therefore we can make up other rules as we go.

The club will not take a cut of the sale price. What the auctioneer is able to get for your junk is what you will receive. I understand we are expecting guests from out of town suspected of having money to spend. Spread the word!

These are the rules that we have used ever since I have been a JARS member and they have always worked.

JARS Cards

It has been a few years since we have had JARS cards to show off for discounts at eating establishments, retail outlets and other places of business. I have been approached and asked if I would consider making some new JARS cards since I am in charge of membership. While nobody can create a JARS card like Bill, AK4H can, I have come up with what I hope will be an acceptable card. They will be ready for pick up starting at this month's meeting. If you notice anything that needs correcting, let me know after the meeting or by e-mail at jarsmember@hughes.net. Also, when a new member gets voted in, they will be able to get their card at the next meeting.

Mike KD4UJC

Lid of the Month Report

I may have missed some of the LID like activity this month, but I do have a candidate in mind.

Being true JARS members, e always run "FULL JARS POWER" and we try to live up to what a former NC section manager said about our club: "JARS is not high class or low class, just NO CLASS!!!". See you at the auction.

Paul-KD4BJD

Secretary's Report for January 19,2012 JARS Meeting.

- 'Chef Tommy (N4CBI) prepared a wonderful meal as usual. Who doesn't like spaghetti, salad and good bread? Menu for Feb. meeting is...pizza.
- Meeting was called to order at 7:15 by Pres. Robbie Wheeler(KD4WIY)
- The club has decided that if you come and do not eat, please make a contribution to help offset the cost for the building.

Announcements

- John Paul Keon (AB4PP) was very appreciative of all the thoughts, prayers, and e-mails to his wife, Lynn, after she had surgery to remove a kidney tumor.

Up Coming Events

- JARS Auction is scheduled for Feb. 16th, 2012.
- FrostFest: Richmond, Va. Feb 4th, 2012
- Charlotte Ham Fest: March 10th - 11th, 2012(go to www.w4bfb.org for more information)

Secretary's Report

- None

Treasurer's Report

- If you are not on the JARS roster, pay your dues or if your dues have been paid and your name is not listed, Let Paul Dunn(KD4BJD) or Mike Callam(KD4UJC) know so corrections can be made.
- JARSFest 2011:
 - Here is a brief rundown of Paul's report:

JARSFest	2010	2011
Total revenues	\$7,000.00	\$7,800.00
Kitchen:	\$567.00	\$1,160.00
Admissions:	\$1,500.00	\$1,800.00

Door \$4,600.00 \$4,200.00

Flea Market: \$178.00 \$559.00

This year we paid \$250.00 to have the building cleaned.

Grand total Profits \$2,163.00 \$1,606.00

As of 01/09/2012, there is a total of \$13,560.00 in the club checkbook (yeah!). If I made any mistakes, a waive of the "delete" button will cure all.

Repeater Report

- It's still working!!
- We all wish Bill Lambert a speedy recovery, Feel better Bill :)

Membership Report

- We had 2 new members voted into the JARS
 1. Tom Kressly KK4BVU...a.k.a. the "Butcher" (general class)
 2. Steve "Doug" Eubanks K1DUG(technician class)Welcome to the family!

Net Whip Report

- Van Lee (KM4TC) is our new net whip
- WE NEED MORE NET CONTROLLERS!!
- Preamble for the JARS net is on the website (www.jars.net) under "How To"
- Mr. Paul Dunn (KD4BJD) was awarded the 'LID' well...because he just hasn't had the privilege in a very long time (if ever).

Program for the evening:

- The program was presented by Mr. Billy Massengill (WB4EBG 'Big Billy') on the 1959 'Lunch Box' Heath Kit radio. Great job and very interesting.
- Billy Newton (KJ4ZKG 'Little Billy') gave a presentation on building a 2 meter yagi out of electric fence wire. Who says hams aren't resourceful??

●John Paul (ABPP) had some really great stories. He can definitely keep a crowd entertained, even though he's shy and introverted.

That concludes my rendition of the secretary's report

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Peggy Lee, KJ4OPH

Now that was a secretary's report if ever there was one!

Net whip report

There is no net report available at this time. Van promises that he will have one to present at the meeting.

Items wanted

Stephen Fowler (KJ4QNW) has recently acquired a Kenwood TM-281A and was wondering if anyone had a programming cable(KPG-46U) that he could borrow. If so, see him at the meeting.

Remember that the JARS Auction is this Thursday the 16th. If you have anything that you want to put on the table to be there early so that it can get logged in and put on the table. Someone will be at the table around 5:30 pm to start logging items.

JARS Officers - 2012

President	Robbie-KD4WIY
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That does it for this edition for the **JARS Official Organ**. Remember if you have any stories, letters, articles, items for sale, trade or buy, or pictures that you want to put in the Organ send them to me at: jarsmember@hughes.net and if appropriate, I will put them in. Other than that, I look forward to seeing everyone at the auction.

73 de KD4UJC