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## **ARRL**-ROANOKE DIVISION

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## **NEXT DIVISION TOWN HALL SET FOR** THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 AT 8:00 PM

Dues Increase And Washington Updates Will Be Highlighted

Begun in 2022, the Town Halls are a which are seven years old. series of live one hour video broadcasts which bring you up to date on what is happening with ARRL and Amateur Radio in general in the four states in the division. The format is lively, with lots of interactive conversation. Members get to ask questions via a chat feature and can follow comments in real time.

If you are receiving this newsletter and newsletters from your Section Manager, there is nothing you need to do to sign up. A few days before the next Town Hall on September 14, you will receive a hyperlink to click on to get into the videoconference. Topics for discussion in this Town Hall will be the recently announced dues increase, why a separate subscrip-

oin us for the third in our series of town halls tion fee for the print edition of QST, and updates on where ARRL members in the Roanoke Divi- happenings in Washington, DC, including efforts to sion can meet and hear from their elected offiget the FCC to move on proposed regulations, some of

> Can't make the live broadcast on September 14? No problem—watch the replay afterwards on YouTube. Join the hundreds of other ARRL members who have said this is the most informative hour about Amateur Radio in our region.

> Keep in mind that Director Boehner and Vice Director Morine along with the Section Manages have PowerPoint presentations where they can join your club meetings via Zoom, WebEx, Teams or other platforms to share latest ARRL information. These electronic visits help you to get to know your ARRL elected officials better. Send them an invitation to join one of your club meetings in the near future.





## MARC TARPLEE-N4UFP (SK)

South Carolina Section Manager Marc Tarplee, N4UFP, passed away May 15 after a brief illness. Marc had served as the SC Section Manager since 2010, and before that he had been the South Carolina Section Technical Coordinator. He earned his Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the U. of South Carolina. At the time of his death Marc had just retired as the Vice President of Business Services for York County Technical College in Rock Hill. A memorial service was held at the college on May 20th with many Hams in attendance. ARRL named John Gendron, NJ4Z, to complete Marc's term of office. He leaves behind his wife Lee, W7LEE, and two daughters, Austin and Marley.

he 48th annual Marine Corps Marathon (MCM) will take place on Sunday, October 29th, in Arlington, Virginia and Washington, DC. MCM is the 7th largest marathon in the United States with almost 30,000 runners being watched by 100,000 spectators. Helping the event is a corps of 150 Amateur Radio operators. Licensed operators are needed every year. Training is provided so no past race communications experience is needed. September is training month so to learn more and to sign up, go to mcmham.org now.





## **Support Your State's W1AW Portable Operations During The 2023 VOTA Contest**

(You must sign up with your state coordinator listed below before operating)

- North Carolina W1AW/4 September 27 to October 4 State Coordinator: Art Tolda—w1ajt@atolda.com
- Virginia W1AW/4 October 25 to November 1
   State Coordinator: Mike Aimone—WA8AHZ@arrl.net
- ◆ West Virginia W1AW/8 November 1 to November 8 State Coordinator: Mark Kraham—W8cmk@arrl.net South Carolina finished its 2023 schedule July 26





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