



# Largest Hamfest on Gulf Coast!!

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## 57<sup>th</sup> ACADIANA HAMFEST 2017

Rayne Civic Center - 112 Frog Festival Drive, Rayne, Louisiana 70578

ARRL LOUISIANA STATE CONVENTION

Sponsored by: Acadiana Amateur Radio Association, Inc.

Talk-in: W5DDL 146.820 (pl 103.5) EchoLink Node: 759629 - Admission at door \$8.00



### MARCH 10 & 11

Friday 3 PM

to 8 PM

Saturday 8 AM

to 3 PM



### Confirmed Manufacturers, Factory Representatives and Dealers

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### FRIDAY NIGHT FUN

6:00 PM Crawfish Boil (Pre-register only)

7:00 PM Fais-Do-Do with Cajun Music

### PRIZE DRAWINGS

FRIDAY 7:00 PM

MFJ 259 Antenna Analyzer, Yaesu Gift Certificates \$100, \$100, \$150, ARRL Gift Certificates

SATURDAY 2:00 PM

Kenwood TS-480SAT HF-6m, Kenwood TH-D74A 144/220/440 DSTAR, MFJ 4230 MVP 30 amp Power Supply, ARRL Gift Certificates.

Hourly Door Prizes Friday & Saturday

### HAMFEST HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ LADIE'S Hi Q SWEETS (Homemade)
- ◆ CAFÉ CQ (Menu on website)
- ◆ LADIES BINGO (Saturday starts 8:30 AM)
- ◆ ATM on Site
- ◆ VE Testing (Saturday 9:00 AM - See website)
- ◆ GO KIT DISPLAYS
- ◆ QRP - FACTORY & HOME BUILT DISPLAYS
- ◆ ARRL Guest Speaker - ED Hare W1RFI
- ◆ RADIO TESTING TABLE AVAILABLE

Check website for details.

### TABLES

Ham Radio Related Swap Tables: \$10.00 each

Flea Market (Craft) tables: \$20.00 each.

Overnight Security provided by Rayne PD

See website for downloadable forms.

### TAILGATING

FREE!!  
FRIDAY  
AND  
SATURDAY

### ICS - 100, 200, 700 TRAINING

Friday Only - Class starts at 8:30 AM - ends 3:00 PM

FREE - 25 Seats available - pre-registration required.

Contact Glen at: [KF5FNP@cox.net](mailto:KF5FNP@cox.net) to sign up.

### SKYWARN CLASS

By Roger Erickson  
Saturday 1130

Check website for details

### FORUMS (Saturday Only)

- ◆ Louisiana Contest Club
- ◆ Louisiana Council of Amateur Radio Clubs
- ◆ Yaesu System Fusion

- ◆ SKYWARN
- ◆ AMSAT
- ◆ ARES/ARRL
- ◆ ARRL Delta Div.
- ◆ Rasp. PI APRS
- ◆ Basic HF Ant.
- ◆ AMSAT

Check website for updates & schedules

Host Hotel: Best Western Rayne Inn, 337-334-0060 (call hotel directly for these rates see map on website).

Mention "AARA Hamfest" and get Special Room Rate \$74.99 for King Bed & \$82.49 for Double Queen.

Check Website for Directions, Map & Updates at: <http://www.w5ddl.org/hamfest/>

# 57<sup>th</sup> Annual 2017 AARA Hamfest Schedule

Rayne Civic Center, Rayne, Louisiana 70578



This 2017 57<sup>th</sup> AARA Hamfest is dedicated to the memory of Silent Key **Fred Cook KE5LP.**



## Friday, March 10

- 0830 ICS-700, 100, 200 Training - FREE (only 25 seats available)  
Pre-registration required - contact Glen at: [kf5fnp@cox.net](mailto:kf5fnp@cox.net)
- 0900 Dealer & Swap/Flea Market Setup
- 0900 RV Park open - (Sign in at Front Desk)
- 1200 Pick up Pre-registration packets - (front Desk)
- 1200 Shrimp Fettuccini Plate Lunch available for workers & vendor / dealers
- 1500 – 2000 Registration and Hamfest Opens to General Public **New Opening Time**
- 1800 Fais-Do-Do - French Music & Crawfish Boil – Other refreshments on site (see menu below)
- 1900 Friday Prize Drawings**
- 2000 Hamfest Closes

**Saturday, March 11 (Forums)** Times and schedule listed below may not be correct at this time

### Green Room A

### Green Room B

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0830 Basic Backyard HF Antennas - Dave Redfern N4ELM</li> <li>0930 SDR Receivers in the Ham Shack - Chuck Morrison N5WE &amp; Jean Boudreaux W5JAB</li> <li>1030 Louisiana Contest Club - Marsh Stewart KA5M</li> <li>1130-1230 SkyWarn - Ed Roy WA5TNK</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0830 AMSAT - Nick Pugh K5QXJ</li> <li>0930 ARRL - Ed Hare W1RFI - RFI Causes &amp; Cures</li> <li>1030 Louisiana ARES - Scott Wren KD5DFL</li> <li>1130 Raspberry PI, APRS - Kris Wotipka KD5QYV</li> <li>1230 Louisiana Council of Amateur Radio Clubs - Matt Anderson KD5KNZ</li> </ul>
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1230 **BINGO ROOM** - Yaesu DR-1 System Fusion

- 0700 - 0800 Dealer & Flea Market setup
- 0700 RV Park Registration Open
- 0700 Breakfast for Table Holders Only
- 0700 Registration Desk Opens
- 0800 Hamfest re-opens to General Public  
Café CQ – Opens for Breakfast
- 0830-1200 Bingo by Sandra - XYL of John Allen NØJA
- 0900-1030 ARRL VE Testing – by Greg K5LFT (Fish Bowl Room). Please bring copies of FCC License (no copy machine on site), Photo ID, CSCE's and \$15.00 cash.
- 1100 - 1200 Go-Kit Owners Table Display & Q&A
- 1100 Café CQ – Opens for lunch
- 1100 Fox Hunt – Nick Pugh K5QXJ  
(Bring your Fox Hunting equipment and see who is best).
- 1300 - 1400 QRP Rig Owners Table Display & Q&A
- 1400 Grand Prize Drawings**
- 1500 Hamfest Closes

### CAFE CQ MENU (Refreshments)

**Friday Noon** - Shrimp Fettuccini plate lunch with green beans and corn. \$7.00 - served for workers & dealers / vendors.

**Friday Night** - BOILED Crawfish (Pre Order Only - see website), Crawfish dip \$.50, Chicken & Sausage Gumbo \$6.00, Shrimp Fettuccine with green beans and corn \$7.00, Potato salad \$1.50.

**Saturday (Breakfast 0800)** - Egg and sausage sandwiches \$3.00, Egg sandwich \$2.00, Sausage biscuit \$1.50, Biscuits \$.50.

**Saturday (Lunch 1100)** - BBQ burgers \$3.00, BBQ Sausage poboys \$4.00, Chicken and Sausage Gumbo \$6.00, Shrimp Fettuccine with green beans and corn \$7.00, Potato salad \$1.50, Potato chips \$.50.

### LADIE'S Hi Q SWEETS (AARA Club Ladies)

All day Friday & Saturday, the Hi Q Sweets Ladies will be serving a variety of Homemade Cookies, Cakes, Brownies, Fudge, etc. Can Soft Drinks (regular and diet), Bottled Water and Coffee.

### **TAILGATING IS FREE !**

Friday & Saturday. In designated area in front main building parking lot.

**Friday and Saturday schedules may change as Hamfest date gets closer. Please check back often.**

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On Site**

**Check our website for more information and updates at:  
<http://www.w5ddl.org/hamfest/>**

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