

Welcome to the Week 43 edition of the QuartzFest e-Newsletter. The latest news follows below with links to more information on the QuartzFest website.

- **DIGITAL MODES.** Join this session to explore the exciting world of digital operating modes for ham radio. Bring your questions for the experts or if you are new, learn about the many different modes available for use, their advantages in different applications, and how you can get started. Find it and more on the program at <http://quartzfest.org/program.html>.
- **GOLD IN THEM THAR HILLS!** Taught by experts, this seminar will provide an overview of the latest technology and techniques for gold prospecting. Learn how to read the finger prints of nature to find the best drop spots for gold and how to test for the best location to start searching for gold, discuss how to use basic tools to extract samples of material from their natural environment which contain the clues to gold, and share your questions and experience with the class leaders and participants. Find it and more on the program at <http://quartzfest.org/program.html>.
- **ARRL INFORMATION SESSION.** Join your ARRL Southwestern Division Directors to hear the latest amateur radio news straight from the ARRL. This seminar is always informative and will provide all participants the opportunity to share your questions and ideas with ARRL leadership and all participants. Find it and more on the program at <http://quartzfest.org/program.html>.
- **TELESCOPES, STARS & SATELLITE FLY-OVERS.** Getting started in stargazing can be daunting — after all there's a whole universe out there! But astronomy doesn't have to be hard. This seminar will bring together both beginners and experts to explore and learn your way around the night sky... with the unaided eye or a telescope. In no time you can learn about the constellations, names of stars and how to spot and track satellites all while sitting around the campfire with friends and fellow hams. Find it and more on the program at <http://quartzfest.org/program.html>.
- **MESHNET a.k.a. BROADBAND HAMNET IS COMING STRONG TO Q'16!** Kevin Hedgepeth (NB7O) and Tracy Lenocker (WA6ERA) are already preparing to lead a comprehensive, hands-on, and deep look at Mesh Net. Click on "MESHNET" on the Thursday schedule or go directly to read more at <http://quartzfest.org/Q16-broadband-hamnet.html>.

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