

THE QCWACKER

QCWA Piedmont NC Chapter #126

January 2026

Next Meeting: The next Piedmont Chapter 126 meeting will be held **on ZOOM**, on Saturday, January 10, 2026 at 11AM. ZOOM info will be sent later. No background noise will be appreciated. ALL members and guests are welcome!

When: Plan to start at 11:00 AM. Business and program will follow. There will be no Board Meeting today. Any Board business will be handled offline.

Program: By Ralph Gable, VE4PUX, with help by Tom Lewis, N4TL "Antenna Tuners: The Feedline Side = The Source & Destination of Reflected Power". Elect the 2026 Chapter Board Members. Door Prizes.

Tidbits: AF1E continues his medical journey with a knee replacement. AB4OZ continues to improve after back surgery. N3LTV serves as the Net Manager for the evening ARRL NTS Traffic Net. Our Saturday morning net continues running well thanks to our regular NC Stations. K4RGN is the NCS for a weekly local Capital District 6 Meter FM net. K3OS completed a recent trip to Toronto, Canada. N4RF is enjoying his new K4 Elecraft HF Station. WB4DCM continues to labor with the leaves on his estate. N4TL and NC4FG, with their well-equipped workshops have been a great help in checking out estate gear for their future homes. K4HF, N4TL, WZ0Q, NC4FG and others enjoyed the Benson/JARSfest last month. W4AG has snagged some good DX on 40 & 12 Meters. Several chapter members got their Flu and COVID shots recently. K4ZVK has a new HF Antenna and we are enjoying his improved signal. Walt also took in the recent Seymour Johnson AFB Air Show. W2GHK reports construction on her enclosed porch/sun room is moving along. Be reminded to replace Smoke Alarm Detector batteries to at least keeping them from failing at odd hours. W2IKN enjoyed a family trip to PA over Thanksgiving. K4RGN had two Thanksgiving dinners with family visiting at different times.

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The next major Hamfests in the area are: Charlotte/Concord Hamfest March 6/7, 2026; CCAWA Conference March 26, 27, 28; Raleigh Hamfest April 4 and the Winston Salem Springfest April 25.

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Chapter 126 Weekly Net: About 3.853 MHz, 8:45AM each Saturday morning.

The Piedmont Chapter 126 Website: <http://www.qsl.net/qcwa126/>

The National QCWA Website: <http://www.qcwa.org/>

Chapter 126 Member Reflector Input:

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See you on January 10 and tell a friend!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Chuck, K4HF