

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE - TULSA 10159 E. 11th Street - STE 300 Tulsa, OK 74128-3027

March 26th, 2024

Mark Adams, President Tulsa Amateur Radio Club 1611 South Utica Avenue #178 Tulsa, OK 74104-4909

Dear Mark WA5MA:

Congratulations to the Tulsa Amateur Radio Club (TARC) on your 100th Anniversary. TARC's activities date back to the early days of ham radio, and as I have understood, TARC is the oldest amateur radio club in Oklahoma.

In addition to being at the foundation of developing radio technology, TARC's dedication to public service is well known. Obviously, the Club's commitment to public safety during dangerous weather is front and center in my mind. The development of the "Super Link" system was a game-changer for the SKYWARN program. The ability to quickly communicate with spotters and local officials throughout eastern Oklahoma and northwest Arkansas remains a central component to the National Weather Service's public safety mission. Countless storm reports and warnings have moved across TARC radio frequencies. The technology that automated warnings from NOAA Weather Radio to the "Super Link" became a model for some area school districts that utilize their own radio systems.

I thank you for all that you do and wish you another 100 years of technological developments, comradery, and public service.

DE KA9MLL

Steve Piltz

Meteorologist in Charge

73



