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Radio Event Scheduled at Historic Marconi Tower in Downtown Binghamton

[Binghamton, NY]

On Saturday April 27, 2024, members of the Binghamton Amateur Radio Association (BARA) will be talking to amateur (“ham”) radio operators throughout the world from the historic Marconi Tower at 45 Lewis Street in downtown Binghamton. The event, commemorating the birth of Guglielmo Marconi (one of the inventors of radio), is held annually on the Saturday closest to Marconi’s birthday. This year marks the 150th anniversary of Marconi’s birth.

BARA will operate from 9:00 am through 4:00 pm, contacting stations world-wide that are operating at other historic sites related to Marconi’s life and career. BARA has participated in this event annually since 2017.

The Marconi Tower is the last remaining of four towers (two in Binghamton, two in Scranton, PA) erected by Marconi in 1913 for his pioneering experiment that first successfully demonstrated radiocommunication with a fast-moving vehicle (a train running between Scranton and Binghamton). More information about the tower and its role in radio history is presented at www.lutins.org/marconi.

The public is invited to visit to learn more about the historic structure, and to witness amateur radio operations (often called on to assist with emergency communication during disasters).



The Marconi Tower on Lewis Street in Binghamton