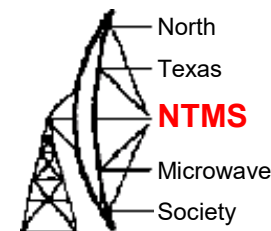


Microwave Update 2027

W5LUA & KM5PO
September 12, 2026

MUD 2027

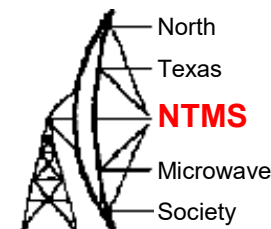


- October 28, 29 and 30, 2027
- Newly remodeled Hilton Garden Inn & Conference Center in Lewisville – same location as in 2019
- As an added bonus the “director of Catering” Cole Malone is the same person we worked with in 2019
- Cole was a pleasure to work with in 2019

Tentative Schedule

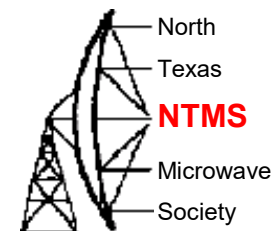
- Thursday 3cm EME Demo
Antenna Gain Measuring
Test Equipment
Surplus?
- Friday and Saturday Presentations
- Fri and Sat Lunches with Presentations
- Saturday night banquet, Speaker and Prize drawing
- Friday Dinner BBQ buffet being considered

Surplus, etc



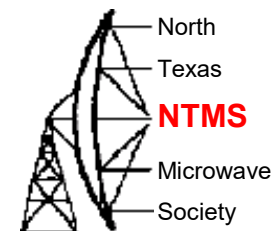
- Hanger 18 – Phil Galloway @ MUD
- Lee Rhoden
- Lakeview Test & Measurement – Rockwall
Alex Parrish
- Computer/Electronic Surplus - Richardson
- HRO – Plano
- Altex Electronics – Addison
- Main Trading Company – Paris, TX
- Texas Microwave – Lothar

2027 Challenges



- We secured the same facilities and breakout rooms that we had in 2019
- There is no direct fee for these rooms but there is a Food & Beverage minimum and it is higher than what we had in 2019 because it was recently remodeled
- We will have a room block set up similar to 2019. Since the hotel is run separate from the conference center, booking additional room nights does not offer any price break on the meeting room minimum requirements
- We have to figure that more room nights mean more mouths to feed.

The Contract Highlights



Room Rates King \$117 + 13%

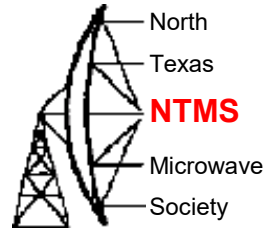
Double Queen \$127 +13%

Rates include hot breakfast

Meeting room space on Thu, Fri, and Sat.

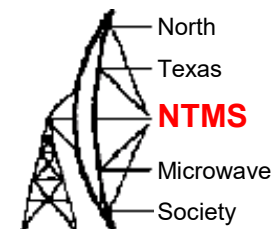
Banquet minimum for all 3 days is a total of
\$14000 + 23% service charge

Deposit



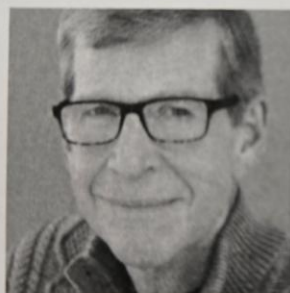
- \$500 due now
- Additional \$3000 due in full by Feb 2027.
- This is before we will have even made a decision on pricing for the registration form but not an unusual request from a hotel.
- This is why we passed forward \$2000 from our conference in 2019 to help cover these upfront costs.
- I wonder what we will get from the 2026 conference?
- None the less, we have the money in the NTMS treasury

Special Speaker



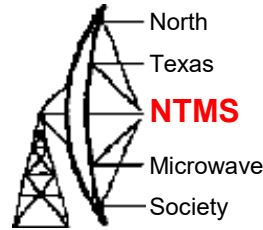
- Tony K8ZR, myself and & our wives were on a Viking cruise ship to the Mediterranean in Jan 2025 when we met Jonathan Ward, a resident Viking Astronomer
- He gave 7 or 8 lectures and we both thought he would be enjoyed by our group including the ladies at the banquet.
- We told him about the NTMS sponsoring MUD in Oct 2027.
- He has penciled us in and said we could talk about “logistics” later.
- I wonder how expensive “logistics” will be? He may be out of our price range...

VIKING RESIDENT ASTRONOMER



Jonathan H. Ward, FRAS, is a space historian, author and astrophotographer. He began his career serving as a docent at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum during the Apollo era. Mr. Ward has written four books on the US space program, most recently collaborating with astronaut Eileen Collins, the first American woman to command a space mission, on her memoirs.

Summary



- Put the date on your calendar!
- Oct 28, 29, 30 2027
- Pass the word
- We are shooting for 100 + attendees on both days
- Volunteers are always welcome
- Questions?