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Subject: American Radio Relay League "Leonard Professional Media Award"

Dear Mr. Powell,

This is just a short note to inform you that in November, 2008, the Athens County Amateur Radio Association (ACARA) nominated you for the American Radio Relay League's (ARRL) "Bill Leonard Professional Media Award" for your September 15, 2008, *Athens News* column entitled *The View From Mudsock Heights: Statewide Amateur Radio Contest Takes Over State Parks for a Day*. Unfortunately, the ARRL did not select you to be the recipient of this award. However, please know that the members of the ACARA deeply appreciate the time you spent with us at Strouds Run State Park and the excellent piece on Amateur Radio that resulted from that visit.

I've included with this note our nomination package and the reply we received from the ARRL. To learn more about the Leonard Award visit this site: <http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2009/02/04/10610/>.

Thank you for your support of Amateur Radio.

Sincerely,

William McFadden, WD8RIF  
Secretary, Athens County Amateur Radio Association