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Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club

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Lansing Civil Defense Repeater Association

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This is only a test...

CMARC Meetings Move to 7:30PM

At the September meeting of the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club, a motion was made by CMARC member, Bill Cote (WD8NYW), to consider moving our meetings to an earlier starting time. "This will allow us to keep our members here til the end", he added in the motion.

The motion received good support and it was agreed that the idea be given a chance to see if it will make a difference in attendance and longevity at the monthly get togethers.

With the motions being made and seconded, a 'Yea', 'Nay' vote was taken and the motion was passed by a nearly unanimous decision. So, beginning with the October 6th meeting, CMARC Board members will conduct their business meeting at 7pm, immediately followed by the regular meeting at 7:30.

CMARC President, Erv (W8ERV) added a suggestion that members also consider moving our annual SKYWARN training night (held each April), to a non-meeting night, or that an extra meeting night be held so that members and visitors aren't bogged down, nor is the Board hurried to complete its own business, before the trainers from NOAA in Grand Rapids take the floor. This issue will be taken up during the Winter months, in greater detail, but your consideration will be appreciated.

We ask that you share this information with fellow Amateurs and help us get the word out. A change of this nature is bound to have some effect, but we want to make sure our members and visitors aren't left out in the cold (literally).

HamFair2000

CMARC/LCDRA Welcomes YOU!

Chances are good that our visitors to HamFair2000 will get a chance to see us shine and they might even get a peek at our monthly newsletter, "The SCOPE". So we wanted to take an extra moment to welcome each and every one of them to our Annual event.

The Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club, as well as members of the Lansing Civil Defense Repeater Association have worked hard to bring this show together. We've made it our goal to make members and non-members, alike, feel welcome and have a good time, while at our show. Please feel free to contact us with your thoughts on HamFair2000, once you've gotten home and had time to reflect upon the event.

Our email address is simple. You can contact the editor, J. Ervin Bates (W8ERV) at w8erv@arrl.net and be sure to include your reply address, so Erv can contact you with news of coming CMARC/LCDRA events, too.

Here's to success in the year 2000 and again, WELCOME to one and all. We truly hope this will be a weekend to remember. 73

News From Around Town

Including Meeting Minutes from CMARC & LCDRA

LCDRA MEETING

JULY 20, 2000

At 7:04 p.m., Clint/KC8EHR called the meeting to order with the following officers present at the meeting: Don/N8XME, Hal/WA8LAY, and Scott/W8SRN. The following members also attended the meeting: Don/WB8NUS, Dan/W8BCI, Dennis/KB8ZQZ, and Jim/KA8DDQ. Because a quorum was not present, the Association was unable to hold a meeting on the record

General business discussion

Even though we were unable to conduct business, we did discuss a few topics. First, any group or organization that desires to use the 145.39 or the 146.94 for an event, but does not want the PL tones or courtesy beep on, please contact Dennis/KB8ZQZ about 7 days before the event, and he will turn both them off for the duration of the event. Second, we need to obtain a copy of the schematics for the 145.39's receiver so we can install the remote control. Third, the remote receive site for the 145.47 Link is not functioning. You will need a 97.4 Hz. PL tone to access it. Fourth, we need an alternative operator for the SkyWarn net. Last, we will be holding general elections at our October meeting.

Special Board Meeting

Because we could not hold a general meeting, the officers and directors present held a special meeting. First, the Board sadly accepted the resignation of Don/KB8RAD as our director and Gene/N9XAM as treasurer. Scott/W8SRN volunteered to act as treasurer until the next election. Second, the Board approved the purchase of a Kenwood

TM-G707A dual-band mobile and an Alinco DJ 195T HT for the door prizes at HamFair 2000. The Board, however, mandated that these radios be purchased from one of our vendors, not from an outside source. Last, the Board approved the purchase of a Digital Voice Recorder for the 145.39 repeater. Dennis/KB8ZQZ said that he can purchase one and have it operational by the hamfair.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott R. Newfer/W8SRN
Secretary/Treasurer

HAM FAIR MEETING

September 6, 2000

Ham Fair Chairman Bill/KB8TTS brought the meeting to order with the following people in attendance: Dennis/KB8ZQZ and Suzanne Boone; Clint/KC8EHR, Roxie/KC8GAK and little Brent; Don/W8BQD and Hazel/K8KSX; Don/WB8NUS and Mary Lou; Jane/KC8FSK; Scott/N8YRN, Coleen/KC8BOD and little Jay and Baby Nelson; Julie/KB8ZXR; Hal/WA8LAY and Betty; Joe/N8VYS and Pam/KB8PSF; Scott/W8SRN; and Mark/N8DEF.

TOPICS ADDRESSED WERE: (1.) **PRICES** – Lowering the price of admission tickets and the price of tables on the day of the Fair. After a short discussion it was decided to keep the prices AS printed on the flyers and NO changes would be made! (2.) **TABLE/CHAIR ORDER** – We talked about the amount of tables and chairs we actually needed for the fair, it was decided to keep the number at 200 tables and 150 chairs. (3.) **CLUB INVITATION** – Regarding the invitation for other Clubs to come in

and promote their Club by giving them 1 free table and 1 free admissions ticket – Joe/N8VYS made A motion limiting the number of Clubs allowed to participate in this “freebee” to 10 Clubs (10 free tables and 10 free tickets) and they HAVE to respond by the deadline date of September 24th. (4.) **VOLUNTEER'S ADMISSION** – It was stated that ALL volunteers working the Fair WILL have to purchase an admission ticket! The VE Examiners will not have to purchase an admissions ticket, (as well as those people testing), UNTIL they go into the Fair. (5.) **BAKE SALE** – Scott/W8SRN said according to the contract with the Summit, we need to get written permission to have the bake sale and we better not sell any food without written permission! (6.) **SIGNS** – Signs in other areas of the Summit advertising the Fair it's many events – Scott/W8SRN once again said we HAVE to have written permission for us to be able to do this, according to the contract. Bill/KB8TTS said he is in the area every day and could stop by to pick up their written permission statements anytime. (7.) **RADIO PUBLICITY** – Scott/N8YRN and Clint/KC8EHR will contact the necessary stations and ask them to put our announcement out on all the stations they own. (8.) **DOOR PRIZES** – Main Prizes (HT and Mobil rig) will be drawn at 1 p.m. If the winners are not present, the Radios will be mailed to them. For all the other prizes, they have to be present to win. If not claimed, another ticket stub will be drawn.

VOLUNTEERS AND POSITIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRIZE DRAWINGS: Scott Stap/N8YRN will be working the P/A System which has a cordless mike

BAKE SALE: The Summit has given us permission to have a Bake Sale with the money made going into the Ham Fair coffers. We can also advertise the Bake Sale on signs throughout the building. Those volunteering to make baked goods so far are Jane/KC8FSK, Deb Reed, Julie/KB8ZXR, Betty Bell, and Julie Dible.

CMARC/YOUTH TABLE: Tyler Head/KC8LWG and Lucas Schaar/KC8OTY.

DOOR PRIZES: Kenwood Duel band TMG-707A, 2-meter Alinco DJ-195, Cover stamp from Campbell Island with signatures from the Crew of ZL9CI.

FORUMS: The forums will be held in the Olympic Viewing Room. **(1.) A DX FORUM** with Bil/W8EB and Ron/ND5S will be at 10 a.m. on their annual trip to St. Maarten for the ARRL International DX Contest, where they operate as PJ8A. **(2.) AN ARRL FORUM** will be held at 8:30 a.m. and will be on enforcement and what Riley Hollingsworth of the FCC has planned for 2000 and beyond.

ISIDE SIGNS: The Summit has easels that they will loan us so that we can put signs throughout the building advertising the Ham Fair, Vendors and Bake and Craft sales hopefully catching the eye of other Summit goers so they will visit. **SCOTT/W8SRN SAID WE MUST GET WRITTEN PERMISSION ACCORDING TO OUR CONTRACT!**

LADIES TABLE: Volunteers are: Mary Lou Tillitson, Jane Law/KC8FSK, and Jo Ann Defeyer. Scott Newfer/W8SRN will mail Mary Lou a check for \$20 so she can purchase gifts for the Ladies drawing

PUBLICITY/FLYERS: Erv Bates/W8ERV and Pam Denomme/KB8PSF. Pam sent out Ham Fair notices to QST,

73, Today, CQ, Amateur Radio Trader, World Radio and Nuts & Volts. She also requested copies of Nut & Volts and Amateur Radio Trader magazine to put out on the CMARC table.

ROAD SIGNS: There will be signs by the freeway exits pointing the way to the Summit. The Summit also has a large sign by the road and the driveway has plenty of lights.

SECURITY: Clint/KC8EHR is in charge of Security. The frequencies used by the Security team will be the same ones used last year. Clint said he still has some security badges left from last year, but would need a few more made for this year. Security volunteers are: Clint, Scott Newfer/W8SRN, Steve Dible/W8CRH, Paul Carpenter/KB8YQW, Bruce Raney/KC8ODP, and Bill Wing/KB8PQP.

SET-UP: Any time from around 10 to Midnight or later on Saturday, October 7th. Set-up volunteers are: Erv/W8ERV, Clint/KC8EHR, Bill/KB8TTS, Tyler Head/KC8LWG, Steve Dible/W8CRH.

TABLE RESERVATIONS/SALES: Erv/W8ERV is taking table reservations and will be selling tables to those coming in on the on the day of the Swap.

TALK-IN: (145.39 and 146.52) Hal Bell/WA8LAY and Don Cote/KD8BD. The PL tone will be deactivated on Wednesday, October 4th and will go back on Monday, October 9th. The new DVR will start announcing the Fair on Friday, September 29th.

TEARDOWN: Will begin immediately after Ham Fair is over. Volunteers are: Scott Stap/N8YRN.

TICKET SALES: We will have a table, just outside the entrance to the room, where those selling tickets will be able to sit. Volunteers selling tickets are: Don/W8BQD and Ruth Schaar/KC8PAZ

working together, and Forrest/N8PWD and Dennis/KC8ZQZ working as the second team.

NEW ADMISSION TICKETS: It was suggested that in place of a paper ticket we could use a hand stamp that says "HAM FAIR" and stamp it on the back of the patron's hand when they pay the admission fee. After a discussion a motion was made by Julie/KB8ZXR that we use the stamp (already purchased by Erv/W8ERV) instead of paper tickets, and if the patron is allergic to the ink or they prefer not to use the stamp, we will issue them a pass that will include on it (1.) the "Ham Fair" stamp, (2.) their name, and (3.) the signature of the person selling them the ticket. The motion was seconded by Bill/KB8TTS and approved.

In place of the stub, they will then be given one (1) address form to be completed and put into the drawing drum for the drawing. These forms will list their name, call, address, phone #, and e-mail address. We will have tables and pencils just "inside" the room where they will be able to fill these forms out. The Drum will be by Scott/N8YRN so he will have easy access to it for the drawing.

Those selling admission tickets will also be giving out a "Ladies Ticket" to all women, young and old alike. They **must** take the ticket to the Ladies Table and put their stub in the can for the Ladies Drawing.

HAM FAIR WORKERS WILL WEAR A BADGE SAYING "HAM FAIR PERSONNEL" AND WILL NOT NEED TO BE STAMPED.

VENDOR TICKETS – After the meeting, when we visited the Summit, it was decided that we needed to purchase a stamp saying "VENDOR", and ink (a different color from the patron's) so we

can stamp the Vendors. This will allow us to tell them from someone who might try to sneak in with the Vendors through the rear doors where they will be unloading.

50/50 TICKETS: Volunteers are: Roxie/KC8GAK and Pam/KB8PSSF. Julie Dible said we could also put her any place we needed her help. Scott Newfer/W8SRN has the aprons and will be bringing them.

VE EXAM: Larry Nordeen/N8VEN is the Head Liaison and will be getting the VE volunteers needed to do the testing. The VE exams will be held in Rooms 1 & 2 on the second floor.

WEATHER TABLE: Don Tillitson/WB8NUS will be running this table. He will be bringing in his own TV/VCR and will be running a weather video. He also said he has weather info for passing out.

BANNERS: A discussion about how the Fair might not make any money this year and how we should cut corners as much as possible led to a motion being made by Bill/KB8TTS not to purchase a new banner this year and make due with the three banners we have. It was seconded by Don/WB8NUS and unanimously approved.

PL TONE DEACTIVATION AND DVR: The PL tone on the 145.39 will be turned off on Wednesday, October 4th and will go back on Monday, October 9th. The DVR will begin announcing the Ham Fair starting Friday, September 29th. Give the floor to Dennis/KB8ZQZ.

LIABILITY INSURANCE: Erv/W8ERV will be getting the insurance needed from the David Chapman Insurance Agency.

AT CLOSE OF HAM FAIR DAY – CMARC Treasurer, Pam Denomme/KB8PSF and LCDRA Treasurer Scott

Newfer/W8SRN will be counting the Ham Fair receipts immediately after the Swap. Pam has offered the use of the mobile home that will be parked just outside the doors where the Vendors will unload and load. This will provide them with security and we will know before we leave, how well we did.

LAST MINUTE DETAILS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE REGULAR CMARC MEETING ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6TH AT 8 P.M.

Julie McLain/KB8ZXR

CMARC Secretary

CMARC BOARD MEETING

September 8, 2000

President Erv/W8ERV brought the Board meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. Those Board members also present for the meeting were: Vice President Steve/W8CRH; Treasurer Pam/KB8PSF; Director John/N8LLC; and Under 22 Director Tyler/KC8LWG. Excused from the meeting were: Director Don/KB8RAD and Secretary Julie/KB8ZXR.

Erv briefly went over some of the things that were covered at the Ham Fair meeting on Wednesday, September 6th which were: not having an admission ticket, but using a hand stamp instead; purchasing a "Vendor" hand stamp; needing more people for set-up; and volunteers "will" have to purchase an admission ticket even though they are helping (after all, we ARE doing this to make money for the Clubs). John/N8LLC suggested that, while we're "rag chewing" on the repeaters, we should be talking up the Ham Fair—telling people how great our location is and about the great door prizes we are giving out.

Don Devendorf/W8EGI, CMARC's Resident Agent, also joined the meeting, as he needed a check for \$10 to be sent in with the Michigan Non-Profit form that

is filed each year. Treasurer Pam wrote him a check, the necessary signatures and addresses were obtained, and Don said he would mail it out as soon as possible. Don will send a copy of the form to Pam for the Treasurer's records and she said she would make a copy and send it to the Secretary for her records.

Pam said that she had received a request from the Red Cross for a donation. She also said that she had looked through the books and there was no record of us ever giving a donation last year, which seemed strange. A motion was made by John to donate \$300 to the Red Cross. The motion was seconded by Steve and approved. It will be brought before the membership as well for their final approval.

Pam said that we had not made a donation this year, either, to the Chief Okemos Council. Pam said this was usually the time of year that we did it, so Erv made a motion to donate \$50 to the Boy Scouts. The motion was seconded by John and approved.

Erv said now that he's finally into his new home, things will get back to normal and he will re-issue the certificates for the Special Events Station with the correct date.

With all things being covered, Steve made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and the Board meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Julie McLain/KB8ZXR-Secretary

CMARC MEETING

September 8, 2000

President Erv/W8ERV brought the meeting to order and welcomed the 34 members and 9 visitors in attendance. **OUR VISITORS were:** Mark Francis; Steve Rentschler/N8SR (formerly WB8UPY); Dale Colby/WD8AUL and his wife Karen, who have recently moved here from Midland; Mark Korroch/WB8TGY from the Charlotte Club; Iris Wood

(George/K8GHX's wife); Jean Devendorf (Don/W8EGI's wife); Hazel Rickerd/K8KSX (Don/W8BQD's wife); and Don Lafreniere/VA3DJL.

There were no **NEW LICENSES OR UPGRADES.**

INTERESTING CONTACTS: Don/W8BQD, Bruce/KC8ODP, and Mark/N8DEF all told of interesting contacts they had made recently. *[Secretary's Note: As I was unable to attend the meeting and take notes, and since the tape recorder did not pick up the information on these contacts, please be sure to ask the gentlemen listed above if you're curious about the details!]*

OLD BUSINESS: A motion was made by George/K8GHX to accept the Treasurer's reports from the July and August meetings as printed in the Scope. The motion was seconded by Joe/N8VYS and approved. A motion was also made by George to accept the Secretary's minutes from the July and August meetings as printed in the Scope. The motion was seconded by Bruce/KC8ODP and approved.

NEW BUSINESS: DONATION REQUESTS: (1.) **Red Cross** – Erv told the members that the Red Cross had written and asked us for a donation. He also told them that a donation of \$300 had been pre-approved in the Board meeting, but the members needed to make the final decision. After a short discussion with Pam explaining that we had overlooked making our yearly donation in 1999, and assuring the members we have more than enough money in the Treasury to cover this amount, a motion was made by Mike/KC8DBP to donate \$300 to the Red Cross. The motion was seconded by Bruce/KC8ODP and approved. As usual, when Pam mails out the check she will designate where we would like the funds to go. (2.) **Chief Okemos Boy Scout Council** – Pam also reminded the members that this is the time of year we usually make a \$50 donation to the Scouts.

Erv started to entertain a motion to make the \$50 donation when he decided he would share his feelings with the group. He told them that he was quite upset with the Council because we are **STILL** waiting for their approval to hang the plaque we had made in honor of John "Tiny" Hewitt/K8DHN, even though we had the plaque made just shortly after he had passed away, which was a very long time ago. We have made repeated attempts to make arrangements with the Council for a plaque-hanging ceremony to honor "Tiny", who worked for years with the Scouts and also reserved Camp Kiwanis for us every year for Field Day. To date, the Secretary **STILL** has the plaque, and after many unanswered phone messages, she is still waiting to hear back from the "top echelon" at the Council. Erv's comment provoked a short discussion in which it was decided that, since we "pay" every year to hold our Field Day events at Camp Kiwanis, we shouldn't have to give them a donation, too. Don Defeyer/KC8CY then made a motion not to give them a donation this year. The motion was seconded by Gregg/WB8LZG and approved.

HAM FAIR FUND: Erv brought in a 2-meter amp he wanted to sell for \$125. He told the members that if anyone would buy it tonight, he would put \$75 of the money in the Ham Fair Fund. Leo Smith/W8SSK purchased it and \$75 went into the Ham Fair Fund.

HAM FAIR UPDATE: Erv said that at this time we have 50 tables sold and things are starting to pick up. He reminded the members that **THEY** are our best resource for getting the word out about Ham Fair 2000. He asked them to talk it up whenever they are on the repeater or visiting other repeaters, so everyone will want to come to this **BIGGER AND BETTER** Ham Fair.

Dennis/KB8ZQZ, who is the trustee for LCDRA, gave our group an update on how he was coming with getting the Digital Voice Recorder up and running on the

145.39 repeater. He said it would be done in time for announcing Ham Fair details by "voice" on the repeater a week or so before the event. Be sure to listen and let us know what you think!

DRAWING WINNERS WERE: Joe Denomme/N8VYS won an Inflatable Duffle Cooler Tote and Jim Crisp/WB8VIC won a Wok with a steamer rack.

At 8:30 p.m. we took our break and got to visit a little with our friends and eat some goodies served by our faithful "KP" crew. Thanks Ladies for all you do!!

When the break was over and the meeting resumed, Bill Cote/WD8NYW asked to address the membership. When he did, Bill asked them if they would consider changing the starting time of the Friday night CMARC meetings from 8 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. After a short discussion, Bruce/KC8ODP made a motion that we try this new meeting time of 7:30 p.m. at the October meeting, and see how well it works out. Bruce's motion was then seconded by Bill/WD8NYW and approved.

Erv then welcomed our guest speaker, Gregg Mulder/WB8LZG. Gregg spoke on kit building and had brought in many kits for display. He thanked some of the members who also had brought in their kit equipment. Once again, Gregg put on a wonderful presentation that everyone enjoyed.

When the program was concluded, a motion was made to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m.

Julie McLain/KB8ZXR-Secretary

**We'll See YOU at
HamFair2000!
Sunday, October 8th**

For Your Consideration.....

The Amazing Yaesuni Returns

Much like last year, I am writing this just prior to HamFair2000. As you may recall, I spoke of excellent weather and a great turnout for our annual event and it came to pass....so why mess with a good thing, right? So allow me, if you will, to (tongue-in-cheek comment coming) peek-no, gaze into my crystal set and see what I can see.

Ah yes, I see it coming clearer now.....it's looking like....could it be?.....kinda reminds me of last year-*only better!* Yes, I can see it now. 650 at the door and 120 tables sold!!! Weather is overcast and fall-like, with peeks of sunshine, but nobody really cares, because they are inside, enjoying the comforts of a new facility. The atmosphere is almost carnival-like, with gadgets whirring and beeping, computers cruising at 600MHz and beyond, the sound of a stitching machine busily cranking out hats. Yeah, THIS is HamFair!

Call it what you will, but I cannot get enough of our gadget-fest. As tired as we all are at days' end, there is a level of happiness and satisfaction that cannot be matched by anything other than HamFair! We put our organizational skills (skills?) to the test on this show and we have been fortunate, thus far, as the people respond.

They wanted more space.....and man, do we have more space! And space to spare, too. We have spacious aisles, lots-o-tables, some great forums lined up, VE testing, concessions are off our shoulders and we have a chance to grow. Either here, or somewhere else, but we have room to grow. And this Club President just happens to be foolish enough to believe we CAN and WILL grow. Maybe slowly at first, but it won't take too long before folks begin to understand that we have a vision. We've met the desires of those who attend our show and now it's time to reap the benefits of dedication and hard work. Ah yes, it's clear as a bell now (No, not you, Hal!)....HamFair2000 is a grand success and everyone enjoys their new door prizes, thoughtfully donated by our friends and purchased by our Clubs. Here's to success.

73, ERV

Something Funny, Something Special

Humorous, Sometimes Touching Submissions from our Members and Others

An Afternoon in the Park

There once was a little boy who wanted to meet God. He knew it was a long trip to where God lived, so he packed his suitcase with Twinkies and a six-pack of root beer and he started his journey.

When he had gone about three blocks, he met an old woman. She was sitting in the park just staring at some pigeons. The boy sat down next to her and opened his suitcase. He was about to take a drink from his root beer when he noticed that the old lady looked hungry, so he offered her a Twinkie. She gratefully accepted it and smiled at him. Her smile was so pretty that the boy wanted to see it again, so he offered her a root beer. Once again she smiled at him. The boy was delighted!

They sat there all afternoon eating and smiling, but they never said a word.

As it began to grow dark, the boy realized how tired he was and he got up to leave. He turned around, ran back to the old woman and gave her a hug. She gave him her biggest smile ever.

When the boy opened the door to his own house a short time later, his mother was surprised by the look of joy on his face.

She asked him, "What did you do today that made you so happy?"

He replied, "I had lunch with God. You know what? She's got the most beautiful smile I've ever seen!"

Meanwhile, the old woman, also radiant with joy, returned to her home.

Her son was stunned by the look of peace on her face and he asked, "Mother, what did you do today that made you so happy?"

She replied, "I ate Twinkies in the park with God. You know, he's much younger than I expected."

-submitted by Chris Lombardo (Erv's Brother-In-Law)

Just in case you weren't feeling too old today, this will certainly change things.

Each year the staff at Beloit College in Wisconsin puts together a list to try to give the faculty a sense of the mindset of that year's incoming freshmen.

Here is this year's list:

The people who are starting college this fall across the nation were born in 1982.

They have no meaningful recollection of the Reagan Era and probably did not know he had ever been shot.

They were prepubescent when the Persian Gulf War was waged.

Black Monday 1987 is as significant to them as the Great Depression.

There has been only one Pope.

They were 11 when the Soviet Union broke apart and do not remember the Cold War.

They have never feared a nuclear war.

They are too young to remember the space shuttle blowing up.

Their lifetime has always included AIDS.

Bottle caps have always been screw off and plastic.

Atari predates them, as do vinyl albums. The expression "you sound like a broken record" means nothing to them.

They have never owned a record player.

They have likely never played Pac Man and have never heard of Pong.

They may have never heard of an 8 track. The compact disc was introduced when they were 1 year old.

As far as they know, stamps have always cost about 33 cents.

They have always had an answering machine. Most have never seen a TV set with only 13 channels, nor have they seen a black-and-white TV.

They have always had cable.

There have always been VCRs, but they have no idea what BETA is.

They cannot fathom not having a remote control.

They were born the year that the Walkman was introduced by Sony.

Roller-skating has always meant inline for them.

Jay Leno has always been on the Tonight Show.

They have no idea when or why Jordache jeans were cool.

Popcorn has always been cooked in the microwave.

They have never seen Larry Bird play.

They never took a swim and thought about Jaws.

The Vietnam War is as ancient history to them as WWI, WWII and the Civil War.

They have no idea that Americans were ever held hostage in Iran.

They can't imagine what hard contact lenses are.

They don't know who Mork was or where he was from.

They never heard: "Where's the beef?", "I'd walked a mile for a Camel," or "de plane, de plane."

They do not care who shot J. R. and have no idea who J. R. is.

The Titanic was found? They thought we always knew where it was.

Kansas, Chicago, Boston, America, and Alabama are places, not groups.

McDonalds never came in Styrofoam containers.

There has always been MTV.

They don't have a clue how to use a typewriter.

Do you feel old yet? Pass this on to the other old fogies

-submitted by Gretchen Wasper (KC8ODL)

Attention Story Collectors:

If you have recently stumbled upon something that tickles your funny bone, or makes you pause to reflect, send it in to us! We are always looking for funny and serious goodies to put in the SCOPE. You can email it to Erv at w8erv@arrl.net or drop it in the mail. J. Ervin Bates, 1470 Harper Rd., #38 Mason, MI 48854.

The Y2K CMARC Board

The Y2K LCDRA Board

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Meetings: Quarterly, on the 3rd. Thursday at 7:30pm. at Lansing Fire Dept., Station #8, on Marshall St. at Grand River, just west of the Red Cross Ask Clint to show you the EOC station they have worked so hard to build up.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 – Juan Pizano/N8YQR's 47th B'day!
- 2 – John/N8LLC and Karen Crawford's 7th Anniv.!
- 2 – Dennis/KB8ZQZ and Suzanne Boone's 1st Anniv.!
- 2 – Amanda Lynn Bates' 11th B'day!
- 4 – Shirley Pittenger/KB8LTR's 72nd B'day!
- 4 – Edward Fitzgerald/N8FPR and Wife's Anniv.!
- 6 – Ken/W8KWO and Ruth Harris' 66th Anniv.!
- 6 – Don Hill/KB8HZJ and Wife's 10th Anniv.!
- 6 – Emile Albhaddad/KC8BFJ and Wife's Anniv.!
- 6 – Roger Jackson/N8SGV and Wife's Anniv.!
- 9 – Don/KD8BD and Gloria Cote's 46th Anniv.!
- 10 – Lee Shumway/WB8ZEY's 40th B'day!
- 13 – Jane Law/KC8FSK's 46th B'day! (Corrected Date!!)
- 13 – Phil Dowker/KC8FXS and Wife's 16th Anniv.!
- 14 – Don Devendorf/W8EGI's 86th B'day!
- 14 – Robert Mann/WD8OEV's 59th B'day!
- 16 – Lester Stowell/W8BK's 82nd B'day!
- 18 – Michelle Elizabeth Bates' 2nd B'day!
- 25 – Joe/N8VYS and Pam/KB8PSF Denomme's 11th Anniv.!
- 27 – Marian Stoddard/N8UVC's 82nd B'day!
- 31 – Ted and Darlena/KB8YYM McDaniel's 52nd Anniv.!

Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club Treasurer's Report

Account Balances as of September 8, 2000

ASSETS:

Cash & Bank Accounts	
Mich. Nat'l Bank Checking	\$985.39
USPS Postal Deposit	\$221.61
TOTAL Cash & Bank Accounts	\$1,207.00
Other Assets	
Comerica Bank CD	\$1,349.65
TOTAL ASSETS:	\$2,556.65
LIABILITIES:	\$0.00
TOTAL NET WORTH:	\$2,556.65

Income & Expenses: August 4-September 8, 2000

INCOME

Coffee Fund	\$12.67
Dues	60.00
TOTAL INCOME:	\$72.67

EXPENSES:

SCOPE Mailings	\$0.00
Meeting Food	\$8.41
Postage Due & Stamps	\$9.90
LCDRA-Transfer HamFair Funds	\$235.00
Service Charges	\$16.91

TOTAL EXPENSES	\$270.22
TOTAL NET PROFIT	\$(197.55)

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Denomme-KB8PSF, Treasurer

Ingham Co. ARPSC Meetings

If you are an RACES or ARES member, and wish to play an active role in the Ingham County ARPSC Group, you are invited to attend the Ingham County ARPSC meetings. These meetings are held the third Monday at 7pm each month. They alternate between the Ingham County Sheriff's, Department; 630 N. Cedar St, Mason and Fire Station #8; on the corner of Marshall St. & Grand River, Lansing. Talk in frequency is the Okemos repeater - 145.390MHz 100Hz PL.

Every other Monday during the month, there is the Ingham County ARPSC net held at 9pm on 146.580MHz. This net is held for RACES/ARES equipment check and information pertaining to RACES/ARES members.

If you have any questions, please contact Clint Hannahs, The Ingham Co. Emergency Coordinator, at kc8ehr@arrl.net or Cary M. Britten, The Assistant Ingham Co. Emergency Coordinator, at kc8jka@arrl.net

Ingham Co. ARPSC 2000 Meeting Schedule

October 15th at 7pm held at the Ingham Co. Sheriff's Dept.

November 20th at 7pm held at the Lansing Fire Station #8

December 18th at 7pm held at the Ingham Co. Sheriff's Dept.

IT'S HERE! REMOTE RECEIVE SITE FOR THE LINK!

As requested by our membership, the 145.47 Link repeater now has a remote receive site at the Ingham Medical Center so all the HT's in town can now hit the Link with less problems! If you want to use this new service, program in 145.470 MHz., with a negative offset, and a PL of 97.4 Hz. Your transmissions will go out via this new remote site, but you will still receive the audio from our Onondaga site. Enjoy!

NEXT LCDRA MEETING

The next LCDRA meeting will be held on October 19, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. As usual, the meeting will be held at Lansing Fire Station No. 8 at the corner of Marshall and Grand River, which is just west of the Red Cross building. As well as our normal business, we will be conducting elections for next year. If you need any directions, the talk-in will be the 145.39 with a PL of 100 MHz.

Voice Your Opinion!

Do we keep it, or drop it? The 539 Breakfast is held the first Saturday of every month at Theo's North from 7:30am to 9am. Let me know what to do and please call 517-321-2004, or contact me on the 146.700 repeater.

-Don Tillitson

LCDRA ANNUAL ELECTIONS

At the next LCDRA on October 19, 2000 at 7:00 p.m., the Association will be conducting its elections for the 2000-2001 board. So come one and all to exercise your vote for next year's officers and directors.

Local and Area VE Sessions

Lansing V.E. 2000 Test Dates

Testing is held at the Lansing America Red Cross, in the Kropschot Room at 1800 E. Grand River; Lansing, MI 48909 Talk-In 145.390 - (100hz PL)
Registration begins at 9:30am and testing starts at 10:00am for the following dates:

Oct 8 (Upstairs at HamFair2000) Nov. 11

VE Team's local contact is Joe Denomme-N8VYS at (517) 589-5263

Corunna VE Testing

On the 4th Thursday of the month at the Red Cross in Corunna, MI
(except for July, Nov. & Dec.)
7pm Registration
Email: aa8tc@arrl.net
Call in frequency is 147.020 +

Charlotte VE Testing

On the 2nd Saturday of the even months at the Eaton Co. Sheriff Dept.
Email: x95korroch@wmich.edu
12 Noon Registration
Talk-In frequency is 147.080 +

Howell VE Testing

On the 2nd Tuesday of the odd months at the Emergency Operations Ctr.
Highlander Way, Howell, MI. 7pm.
Contact: Greg Mcdiarmid-AA5GO
517-548-5893
Talk-In frequency is 146.680 - (100 hz PL)

Mt. Clemens VE Testing

On the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month at the Salvation Army in Mt. Clemens, MI
Contact: Bill Chesney 810-468-8345
7pm. Registration~Talk-In frequency is 147.180 + (100 hz. PL)

Grand Rapids VE Testing

On the 1st Friday of the month at the Red Cross,
1050 E. Fuller Ave., NE, Grand Rapids.
6:30pm.
Contact: Ed/N8UXN 616-458-9029
Talk-In frequency is 146.760 - (94.8 PL)

Jackson VE Testing

On the 3rd Saturday of most months (10am) at the Jackson District Library, 244 W. Michigan in Jackson, MI
Contact: Dick McGuire 517-782-1430
Walk-Ins Welcome! Talk-In frequency is 146.880 - (100 hz. PL)

COMPUTER WORDS

BY WA8LAY

Word list

ALLOCATION	MODULATION
ANTENNA	PORTABLE
BANDS	PUBLIC
BEACON	RADIATOR
BIOLOGICAL	REGULATION
DIGITAL	REPEATER
DOCKET	SIGNAL
EMISSIONS	TEST
ENERGY	VHF
FCC	WARC
LICENSE	
MOBILE	



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Calendar of Events for October, 2000

- Oct-6th CMARC Meeting 7:30pm (final preparations for HamFair2000)
Oct-7th 5.39 Breakfast, Theio's (North East St.) 7:30am
Oct-8th HAMFAIR2000 at The Summit 8am-2pm (Come and Support your Clubs!)
Oct-11th OOTC Lunch 1pm. (contact Jerry Maslowski or Irv Graham for location)
Oct-15th Kalamazoo Swap <http://www.qsl.net/k8blo/hamfest.htm>
Oct-22nd Utica Swap <http://members.home.net/dougk/useca.htm>
Oct-28th QCWA Breakfast, Theio's (North East St.) 8am
Nov-5th St. Joe/Benton Harbor Swap <http://www.comdac.com/bara>

Monday evenings at 9pm, ARPSC Net 146.580 simplex, No PL tone

Tuesday evenings at 8pm, QCWA Net 146.700 -600

Sunday evenings at 8:30pm, 5.39 Information Net, 145.390 -600 100hz PL



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LCDRA Membership \$15* Add a family member at \$7.50 per person	Full Membership \$10 per year* Associate Membership \$5 per year
(Dues cover annual membership from January to January)	Please remit to: John Ingraham-NG8L, Membership Chairman
Send Check or MO to: L.C.D.R.A.	2807 Greenbriar Ave., Lansing Michigan 48912
P.O. Box 80106, Lansing, Michigan 48908	
Use of the repeaters does NOT require membership, but your support IS greatly appreciated.	As a licensed Amateur, you can sign up today as a FULL member. As a full member of CMARC, you have voting rights, as well as an annual subscription to the SCOPE. As an ASSOCIATE, you have an annual subscription to the SCOPE, but no voting rights.

October, 2000

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