## A New Look for the New Millennium - Aug/Sep, 2001



Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club

## THE SCOPE



Lansing Civil Defense Repeater Association

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#### A Friend To Us All

## W8TJQ-Bill Chapman, SK

So many times, especially in Amateur Radio, we are forced to take time to reflect on the efforts of an individual when he/she becomes a Silent Key-and it is never a pleasant task. This great big family lost a key member on August 6th, when Bill passed away at the age of 79. To say Bill was important to CMARC would be an understatement. From contesting, to meetings, to HamFair, and ALWAYS Field Day, you could count on Bill Chapman to be there. In my 7 years at CMARC, I cannot think of even one instant where I saw anything less of Bill than the gentleman he was. Always smiling and 'swapping tales' about his HF contacts, I think Bill just wanted to share his good fortune with us-and that will be something we will all miss. It was only a couple years ago, as King Hussein of Jordan (JY1-SK) became a Silent Key, that Bill got some 'face time' on one of our local Television stations. Yep, there was our friend....tallking about the booming voice of the King and flashing his QSL card for the camera. He was hamming it up and having a ball reliving that special moment in his Amateur life. But this is what it's all about right?

When I earned my upgrade to Extra class, overcoming the 20wpm test only weeks before it was removed, Bill was one of the first to congratulate me. And then there was the invitation to take part in the November sweep-stakes last year. Thanks, Bill.....I DID take part and I had a blast doing it. Oh, and I got my callsign in QST, too! My first listing under the heading of contests.

Talk to anyone about our good friend Bill and you are likely to hear stories about his love for CW...his enjoyment of tournament cribbage, his undying love of MSU sports (for which I will forgive him-HI HI) and of course, his family. Indeed, Bill had quite a family to brag about. Bill and his wife, Mary, whom he married in 1945 raised seven (count em!) 7 daughters. Oh how he must have felt outnumbered at times! Anne, Margaret, Mary Therese, Elizabeth, Bernadette, Jennifer and Jane. Add the 21 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren and Bill's life was full to the brim. And I bet he savored that fullness, too!

I could go on about W8TJQ and tell you stories about his being voted 'Most Curious' by his high school classmates. I could tell you about his many friendships with fellow CMARC members, like Hal, Currin and the rest, but let's remember Bill Chapman for his zest for life.....for his legacy of caring and for his love of this great Hobby. Bill Chapman made CMARC a better place, my friends....and can we ask any more than that of anyone?

God Bless, es 73 Bill!



## Amateur News From Here and There

Including Meeting Minutes from CMARC & LCDRA

## Howard Hawkins, WB8IGU-SK

CMARC has lost another Life Member. Howard Hawkins, WB8IGU became a Silent Key on Monday, July 16th, due to an abnormal aneurism. He was employed by the Postal Service for many years, following World War 2. A devoted DX chaser, Howard operated under excellent conditions, spending his Summers at Au Gres, on Saginaw Bay and his Winters at Englewood, Florida.

Howard had about 30 acres of trees at Au Gres, which was an excellent arrangement for hanging wire antennae. At one time, he even had a full loop on 160 meters!

Hawkins will be missed and we ask that you keep his Family in your prayers.

#### Roger Gee, W8DUD-SK

We received word recently that former Lansing resident and long-time CMARC member, Roger Gee (W8DUD) became a Silent Key. In a note, from his wife Betty, she mentions Roger's friends in Lansing and wanting to let them know. Roger died at age 76 on March 5, 2001 in Fort Wayne, Indiana 'following a brief illness'.

As many will know, Roger was employed by and retired from General Motors in 1989 and then moved to the Portland, Indiana area shortly thereafter. He is survived by his

wife more than 54 years, Betty, one daughter, a granddaughter and a brother.

If anyone in the Club is interested in assisting Mrs. Gee with pricing and selling Roger's Amateur Radio equipment, please contact Erv (W8ERV) at 517-202-6229, or by email at w8erv@arrl.net and he'll be happy to get a number to you. And please, remember the family in your prayers. 73

#### **Doris Carleton**

Doris Carleton, loving wife of another long-time CMARC member, Dan (N8VKU) passed away in July. We were given very few details of her death, but we want to extend our heartfelt wishes to Dan and his family at this most trying time.

We have lost several older members again this year, and now Dan's wife. Please take time, if you can, to drop a personal note to Dan and let him know that you are thinking of him. A little kindness can go a long way.

73 Dan, we will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

### CMARC Board Meeting

July 6, 2001

Board meeting canceled due to lack of quorum.

Meeting opened at July 6, 2001 by President Mike/ KC8ODP.

#### **CMARC** Meeting

July 6, 2001

Meeting opened with VISITORS; welcome to Jeff/ KC8PUN, Craig Tucker/ N9IWN, Candy Coburn/ KC8QZF, and Holly Gaffney from Daytona Beach, Florida. Nineteen members signed in. No **NEW MEMBERS** were recognized. No **NEW LICENSES OR UPGRADES** were reported. REMINDERS: Bob/ K8RBT is still seeking out photos for the club directory; to check out the directory go to http://www.qsl.net/cmarc/ home.html. Bring pop cans to donate for Hamfair proceeds. Renew ARRL membership through the club and we get back two dollars. ANNOUNCEMENTS: nothing new was reported for Ham Fair Chairman Ery / W8ERV was on vacation (quite a few of the board members were on vacation). MS Bike-a-thon was July fourteenth and fifteenth; Women on Wheels was July twenty-first. We will have a show and tell program for members to display what they have built. This will be held either during the September and October meetings.

Mike/ KC8DBP donated an antenna rotator and controller for CMARC to replace the inoperable club station rotator. **OLD BUSINESS:** Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were approved and moved to acceptance by Roger/ KC8CGH and seconded by Wayne/ KC8QEK. Vice President's report was excused for July. There were no at large board members reports for July. Cards and flowers was excused for July. "Hands on" projects have taken a turn for the worst; Foster Community center will not allow soldering. We are looking for a new location for "Hands on" projects. There was no member inputs.

NEW BUSINESS: Pam noted that there still opportunity for the club to take a booth at the Ingham County Fair, no decision was made. Pam is looking for people interested in help at a baloon rally

that will be held August seventeenth and nineteenth. No power will be supplied but opportunity for a Field Day type experience will be held. Jerry Rocho gave a presentation regarding the official Air Force Auxiliary, the Civil Air Patrol (CAP). Jerry discussed the history, duties, levels of membership, responsibilities, and local operations of CAP. CAP is active in search and rescue, drug interdiction and various other activities where faster more powerful aircraft would not be an advantage. Jerry is desparately in need of volunteers in several areas. Interested people should contact Jerry at (517) 694-1033. You can also visit the website at http://mi257.miwg.cap.gov. Meetings are held Wednesday from 7 to 9 PM at the Army Reserve Center 810 Marshall Street, Lansing, MI.

The meeting was adjourned by motion from Roger/ KC8CGH and seconded by Bernie (doesn't Bernie always do this? Thank God for Bernie).

### CMARC Board Meeting

August 3, 2001

The meeting opened at 7 p.m. with Mike/KC8DBP bringing things to order. we are looking for more information to fill the SCOPE, if you feel like writing something about Amateur Radio send it in we'll publish. The Ham Fair Meeting has been moved to Sundays to relieve some schedules. we discussed our new member Candy Coburn/KC8QZF and the visitors. Bob/K8RBT is still accepting photos for the Club directory.

#### **CMARC** Meeting

August 3, 2001

Tonight, we had 22 members sign in. We had 4 **YISITORS**; Guy Swan (a ham in the making), Craig Tucker/ N91WN, Larry Saint George/ KC8RVE, and John

ERS: Bob/ K8RBT is still seeking out photos for the club directory; to check out the directory go to http://www.qsl.net/ cmarc/home.html; send photos or digital images to him. If Bob uses photos he will return them after he is finished. Bring pop cans to donate for Hamfair proceeds. Renew ARRL membership through the club and we get back two dollars. We will have a show and tell program for members to display what they have built. This will be held either during the September and October meetings. CARDS AND FLOWERS: Bill Chapman/ W8TJQ passed away on August 6. Flowers were taken over to the funeral home; a sympathy card will be mailed later on in August. Mary Humphreys (Grandmother to David/ N8WTH, Mark/ N8DEF, and mother to Marylin/N8DEH) passed away July 19; a card and flowers will be sent to the family. Marylin/ N8DEH just left the hospital, she had breathing difficulties; a card will be sent to Marylin as well. Howard Hawkins/ WB8IGU passed on July 16, a card and flowers will be sent to Howard's family as well. AN-NOUNCEMENTS: Field Day went fairly well for Camp Kiwanis, the score was in the 3,800 point range without the bonus points. Operators were rare but people were having fun. There was no bossy attitudes or mean dispositions this year. Next year will be the same; however it will be a little different; we will be leaving out the kitchen routine and moving toward the traditional dish passing. There will be a regular schedule set up for operation times (a schedule list will be starting in December) to take the stress off from the all nighters. Steven/ N8SR operated all night, he managed to fill about 15 pages of contacts, on CW, all by himself, he was a wonderful example of dedication; Steven called me later and said that he had a lot of fun. There will be a marked improvement in the VHF/ UHF station as well. WKAR is looking for people to refurbish special receivers people interested in helping please con-

Haves showed up tonight. REMIND-

tact Gary in engineering at WKAR. Don/ WB8NUS gave details about Bike-a-thon and Women on Wheels; most of the situations went fairly well; however, there was one reported incident by the railroad tracks on Jefferson Street (caused by slippery pavement. There was no marked discussion on OLD BUSINESS and NEW BUSINESS there will be comments in next month SCOPE giving better details to Business. A 50/50 raffle was held because no prizes were available. A new ham John/ KC8RQV gave a wonderful discussion about his trip to Alaska; he was accompanied by his wife, son, ferret, and rat (at this point it sounds like a fun trip already). John gave some details about the weather, animals, mechanical difficulties, and international difficulties as well. John had some great pictures that really expressed just how beautiful the trip was. The meeting was adjourned by motion from Bernie/N8PVZ, seconded by Bruce/ KC8ODP. Thank you - Mike/ KC8FCA - Secretary

## HamFair 2001 In Trouble

We are encouraging ALL available CMARC members to attend the Friday, September 8 meeting. The major purpose of this request is so that we, as a Club, may discuss the future of HamFair. A letter, detailing the situation and possible courses of action, will be read into the minutes at this meeting and a vote will be taken on how to handle it.

This is a matter of great importance and we have to act immediately on it, so please make plans to attend. Your support is greatly appreciated.

73, Erv (W8ERV)

HamFair 2001 Chairman

# An open letter to the membership of the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club:

I began writing this as a resignation from the SCOPE, but after reading the disturbing news that CMARC President, Mike Rhew left us, I am struck by the enormity of our problem. I hope and trust that my constructive suggestions might help. However, since this is NOT a Club meeting, I will leave it to the members to decide, should anyone care to take it up at the September meeting.

While the monthly newsletter is nice, I would suggest that we consider making this newsletter either a bi-monthly, or even a quarterly publication. Here is my reasoning: 1. The SCOPE, while it's fun to read, is often lacking good, solid material. 2. We could make it a 16 page, or even 18 page newsletter and still fall within our restrictions for mailing as we do now, given the new folding method. 3. It would save us about \$300 a year in mailing costs, if we do it bi-monthly and \$400 if we do it every three months. Quite a considerable amount, I am sure you will agree, especially in view of the news we've just received on HamFair.

I would think that a bi-monthly publication would do the job and lighten our financial burden markedly, which is something we need to consider, given the decrease in Club membership.

We have seen a decrease in other areas, as well and it would do us well to consider a few other things, but I will leave that to you to tackle. For now, we need to look at the financial stability of CMARC, if we are to survive in the coming years.

We need ideas, we need fresh blood and we need it NOW. With technology on the move as it is, we are behind the curve, as it were, in giving people a reason to come to our meetings. If we don't evolve with the times, we are destined to lose what many of us have worked so hard to build! This is the challenge, friends.

As for my plans....well, here is my offer. Should the Club vote to trim our newsletter to a bi-monthly, or every three month edition, and you find someone to take over the collating, stapling, folding, labelling and shipping duties (a two person job!), I will remain on duty in the capacity of editor. My schedule no longer allows the freedom I once enjoyed and my time is taken with Family and work, so this is NOT a flexible point. I NEED help and I need it immediately, so I am asking for a volunteer by August 20th, or I will be forced to resign at the end of this year.

If you have been a member of CMARC for a couple years, it's YOUR turn to step up and shoulder some of the load. As the saying goes, 'Many hands make light work' and we need as many hands as possible to help.

Desperate times call for desperate measures, fellow CMARC'ers....and if I am not mistaken, you can't get much more desperate that we are right now. The very survival of this great Club depends on who gets involved and works to build it. I would hate to think that the many advances we enjoyed between 98' and 2000 would be for naught.

Get involved and make a difference. If you don't, who will you blame?

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## SuperSwap2001 Coming!

The Lowell Amateur Radio Club and the Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance have extended an invitation to anyone interested, to join them for their annual swap, Saturday, September 15th. The Grand Rapids/Caledonia SuperSwap will be held at the Caledonia High School and anyone wishing to get more information, may do so at: <a href="http://www.w8dc.org/swap.html">http://www.w8dc.org/swap.html</a>. They promise lots of fun, good bargains and nice weather for the show, so maybe we'll see you there.

## Here Comes Jamboree On The Air (JOTA)

Your club can make an investment in the future of Amateur Radio. Jamboree-on-the-Air is just around the corner. On October 20-21 Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of all ages will participate in the 44th JOTA. For many scout, both young and old, this is the first time they will have an opportunity to learn about amateur radio and/or talk on the air.

ARRL has information to help you plan this event: http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/#scout

For Information, please see the JOTA Article:

http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/JOTA-Articles/jota-ben-hart.html

For BSA Patches and BSA participation cards: These are only available through National Boy Scouts of America. Patches (http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/44thJOTA-lrg.jpg) cost \$3.25 each.

Participation card information and the mailing address is available at: http://www.arrh.org/FandES/ead/jota.html#resources
Order early. Orders are only accepted through US mail. Credit cards and cash will not be accepted. Send only checks and we'll see you during the 44th Annual JOTA!

#### ARRL TO FCC: STOP THE ENCROACHMENT!

The ARRL has called on the FCC to put an end to commercial encroachment on amateur allocations at 2.3 and 2.4 GHz. The League included the request in its reply comments, filed August 16, on a petition by AeroAstro to share co-primary status with the Amateur Service at 2300 to 2305 MHz. The ARRL reiterated its stance that the company's petition represents "a Trojan Horse" and that there is no way that Amateur Radio and AeroAstro's position monitoring system could share the same spectrum. "It is time for the Commission to stop those encroachments, because they have gone too far already," the ARRL said.

The League said AeroAstro's petition for a commercial Miscellaneous Wireless Communication Service allocation at 2300 to 2305 MHz not only would impose "preclusive operating conditions" on hams but represents "yet another in the continuing series of encroachments" into amateur allocations between 2300 and 2450 MHz. The ARRL asserted that AeroAstro has failed to back up its claim that hams and low-power commercial operations can share the band on a co-primary basis without interfering with each other. An interference study prepared by the ARRL Lab and attached to the League's comments predicts "intolerable" interference, especially to weak signals, if the AeroAstro petition were granted.

ARRL has petitioned to elevate the Amateur Service from secondary to primary status on the band and requested that no commercial operations be introduced. AeroAstro seeks co-primary status with the Amateur Service to accommodate its Satellite Enabled Notification System (SENS) position-monitoring system under MWCS rules. The FCC put both petitions on public notice last month, and both parties filed comments earlier this month. There is no primary occupant at 2300-2305 MHz.

"There is no dispute that the segment near 2304 MHz is uniquely suited to amateur weak-signal communications, and the remainder of that segment is used and useful for other types of amateur communication," the ARRL said in its reply comments. AeroAstro says its 1 W spread-spectrum SENS uplinks and Amateur Radio can share the 5 MHz of spectrum and still protect the nearby NASA Deep Space Network. While contending that it "does not seek to cut back current Amateur operations in the band," AeroAstro also asked the FCC to severely limit amateur power levels in the band. The ARRL has called those recommendations "Draconian" and "unacceptable."

The ARRL has contended that AeroAstro should wait until the FCC finalizes another proceeding, ET Docket 00-221, that would make spectrum at 1670 to 1675 and 2385 to 2390 MHz available for the MWCS system it proposes.

The League asked the FCC to dismiss the AeroAstro petition as defective and to grant the League's petition for primary amateur status at 2300 to 2305MHz.

A copy of ARRL's reply comments in the proceedings, RM-10165 and RM-10166, are available on the ARRL Web site: http://www.arrl.org/announce/regulatory/rm-10166/rm-10166-reply.html

# Ruminations

New members: Candy Coburn - KC8QZF, and Larry St. George - KC8RVI have been added to the club roster. John - KC8RQV presented the August program, on short notice, since Steve - W8TOW, canceled the planned program on Monday prior to the meeting. John showed slides and snapshots of his family trip to Alaska, with a great deal of interest and questions from the audience. Thanks John.

Field Day Chairman, Mike – KC8FCA took on a challenging task in planning for the CMARC Field Day this year. Turnout was a bit light, but we all enjoyed ourselves. The energy and enthusiasm of the younger hams was contagious. Those who I have talked to are already talking about next years field day, and what they can do to make it even better. Thanks, Mike.

If you are interested in working on hands on projects, such as Antenna construction or Kit building, we need your help in securing a suitable site. CMARC was planning two Saturday afternoon sessions, however the site we planned to use is unavailable. The problem was we need a location where we can solder, and the site administrator wouldn't allow any soldering.

If you are interested in helping blind hams receive audio news through the Talking Book service, and like to work on electronics projects, your help will be useful at WKAR-FM. They need people to refurbish subchannel receivers, and are short handed. If interested contact Gary at (517) 432-3120 ext. 201 or garyb@wkar.msu.edu.

HELP!! The Scope is in danger of becoming defunct. Erv is in need of help to collate, staple and fold the newsletter. He will train anyone (preferably several volunteers) willing to take on this task. His schedule is such that he no longer has adequate time to do it without additional help. The future of the Scope may be in YOUR hands.

The Membership roster of CMARC is on the decline. The number of paid members as of May is just under 140, and the lapsed (since 1998) member count is 85. Year 2000 members who haven't renewed add up to 45 people. The strength of an organization requires a dependable membership, whether finances or activities are in consideration. We need CMARC and LCDRA to be strong, to represent our interest in the area. Numbers do help when we interact with government, community and business entities. Active member participation in club activities is also readily apparent to observers from the non-ham community, and can make a huge difference in how we are perceived. We want to be seen as an asset to the community and a role model for others to emulate, but we can't present that image if we dwindle away, and become invisible for lack of involvement.

Recently, there have been members and member spouses that have passed away. Doris Carleton, wife of Dan Carleton - N8VKU passed away in July. Bill Chapman - W8TJQ, passed away Monday following the August CMARC meeting. Another name was mentioned at the August meeting, and I failed to write it down. Please check the announcements elsewhere in the scope for additional information.

Mike – KC8FCA is the CMARC Secretary and also the Cards & Flowers chairman. I appreciated receiving a card and a visit from Mike when I was recovering from my recent surgery. Mike is only able to send cards and flowers when he is timely informed of someone's circumstance. Please don't get upset with him for not sending cards or flowers if you didn't tell him of the need to do so. Mike is one of a few dedicated CMARC members who work diligently to serve the club. CMARC needs more members like Mike.

I welcome your comments and suggestions as we work together to make CMARC an even better organization. You may contact me at kc8dbp@arrl.net, or telephone 989-725-1853 (long distance for most of you).

73 de KC8DBP

## Something Special, Something Funny

Humorous, Sometimes Touching Submissions from our Members and Others

#### A Letter to the Bank

This is an actual letter sent to a bank in the United States. The bank thought it amusing enough to publish in the New York Times:

Dear Sir:

I am writing to thank you for bouncing the check with which I endeavored to pay my plumber last month. By my calculations some three nanoseconds must have elapsed between his presenting the check and the

arrival in my account of the funds needed to honor it. I refer, of course, to the automatic monthly deposit of my entire salary, an arrangement which, I admit, has only been in place for eight years.

You are to be commended for seizing that brief window of opportunity, and also for debiting my account with \$50 by way of penalty for the inconvenience I caused to your bank. My thankfulness springs from the manner in which this incident has caused me to rethink my errant financial ways.

You have set me on the path of fiscal righteousness. No more will our relationship be blighted by these unpleasant incidents, for I am restructuring my affairs in 2001, taking as my model the procedures, attitudes and conduct of your very bank. I can think of no greater compliment, and I know you will be excited and proud to hear it. To this end, pleased be advised of the following changes.

I have noticed that, whereas I personally attend to your telephone calls and letters, when I try to contact you I am confronted with the impersonal, ever-changing, prerecorded, faceless entity which your bank has become. From now on I, like you, choose only to deal with a flesh and blood person.

My mortgage and loan repayments will, therefore and hereafter, will no longer be automatic, but will arrive at your bank, by check, addressed personally and confidentially to an employee of your branch, whom you must nominate.

You will be aware that it is an offense under the Postal Act for any other person to open such an envelope. Please find attached an Application for Authorized Contact Status which I require your chosen employee to complete. I am sorry it runs to eight pages, but in order that I know as much about him or her as your bank knows about me, there is no alternative.

Please note that all copies of his or her medical history must be countersigned by a Justice of the Peace, and that the mandatory details of his/her financial situation (income, debts, assets and liabilities) must be accompanied by documented proof.

In due course I will issue your employee with a PIN number which he/she must quote in all dealings with me. I regret that it cannot be shorter than 28 digits, but again, I have modeled it on the number of button presses required to access my account balance on your phone bank service. As they say, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. Let me level the playing field even further by introducing you to my new telephone system, which, you will notice, is very much like yours. My Authorized Contact at your bank, the only person with whom I will have any dealings, may call me at any time and will be answered by an automated voice.

Press buttons as follows: 1) To make an appointment to see me 2) To query a missing payment 3) To transfer the call to my living room in case I am there 4) To transfer the call to my bedroom in case I am sleeping 5) To transfer the call to my toilet in case I am attending to nature 6) To transfer the call to my inobite phone in case I am not at home 7) To leave a message on my computer (to leave a message a password to access my computer is required. (The password will be communicated at a later date to the Authorized Contact) 8) To return to the main menn

and listen carefully to options 1 through 7 9) To make a general complaint or inquiry. The Authorized Contact will then be put on hold, pending the attention of my automated answering service.

While this may on occasion involve a lengthy wait, uplifting music will play for the duration. This month I've chosen a refrain from "The Best of Woody Guthrie": "Oh, the banks are made of marble With a guard at every door, And the vaults are filled with silver That the miners sweated for."

After twenty minutes of that the Authorized Contact will probably know it by heart.

On a more serious note, we come to the matter of cost. As your bank has often pointed out, the ongoing drive for greater efficiency comes at a cost, a cost which you have always been quick to pass on to me. Let me repay your kindness by passing some costs back:

First, there is the matter of advertising material you send me. This I will read for a fee of \$20 per page.

Inquiries from your Authorized Contact will be billed at \$5 per minute of my time spent in response.

Any debits to my account as, for example, in the matter of the penalty of the dishonored check will be passed back to you. My new phone service runs at 75 cents a minute (even Woody Guthrie doesn't come for free), so you will be well advised to keep your inquiries brief and to the point.

Regrettably, but again following your example, I must also levy an establishment fee of 2% of my balance or \$50 (whichever is more) to cover the cost of setting up this arrangement.

May I wish you a happy, if ever-soslightly less prosperous New Year? Your humble client, Jules Winder

Our thanks to Pat Gordon for her submission, via the Internet. Got a funny one? Send it on and we may use it.

#### The Y2K CMARC Board

#### The 2001 LCDRA Board

The SCOPE is published monthly by the CENTRAL MICHIGAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB in association with the LANSING CIVIL DEFENSE REPEATER ASSOCIATION.

#### Congratulations to our 2001 CMARC Officers

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Meetings: 1st. Friday of every month at the Red Cross, Lansing Chapter, 1800 E. Grand

River at 7:30pm.

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Deadline for articles: 15th. of month.

Account Balances as of July 6, 2001

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Denomme-KB8PSF, Treasurer

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LCDRA Call WB8CQM

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

## Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club Treasurer's Report

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ASSETS:	
Cash & Bank Accounts	
Mich. Nat'l Bank Checking	\$513.35
USPS Postal Deposit	\$205.27
TOTAL Cash & Bank Accounts	\$718.62
Other Assets	
Comerica Bank CD	\$1,423.96
TOTAL ASSETS:	\$2,142.58
LIABILITIES:	\$0.00
TOTAL NET WORTH:	\$2,142.58
Income & Expenses: June 1-July 6, 2001	•
INCOME	
Coffee Fund	\$5.80
ARRL Dues Rebate	\$0.00
Dues	<u>\$45.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME:	\$50.80
EXPENSES:	
SCOPE Mailings (2)	\$93.19
ARRL Outgoing QSL	\$0.00
Chief Okemos-FD Site	\$140.00
Mike Sanders-FD Food	\$100.00
Service Charges (2mos)	<b>\$2</b> 4.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$357.19
TOTAL NET PROFIT	\$(306.39)
Transferred from Checking to	
US Postal Account	\$200.00

## Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club Treasurer's Report

Account Balances as of August 3, 2001 Cash & Bank Accounts Mich. Nat'l Bank Checking \$533.12 USPS Postal Deposit \$205.27 TOTAL Cash & Bank Accounts \$738.39 Other Assets Comerica Bank CD \$1,423.96 TOTAL ASSETS: \$2,162.35 LIABILITIES: \$0.00 TOTAL NET WORTH: \$2,162.35 Income & Expenses: July 6-August 3, 2001 INCOME Coffee Fund \$5.77 ARRL Dues Rebate \$0.00 Dues \$30.00 TOTAL INCOME: \$35.77 **EXPENSES**: SCOPE Mailings \$0.00 ARRL Outgoing QSL \$4.00 Service Charges \$12.00 TOTAL EXPENSES \$16.00 TOTAL NET PROFIT \$19.77 Transferred from Checking to US Postal Account \$0.00 Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Denomme-KB8PSF, Treasurer

## Ingham Co. ARPSC Training 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 2001 Meeting Schedule

September 17th-Fire Station #8 in Lansing October 15th-Sheriff's Dept. in Mason November 19th-Fire Station #8 in Lansing December 17th-Sheriff's Dept. in Mason

### FOR SALE

- -Infinity book shelf speakers. Excellent condition, great sound. Perfect for the shack, or computer system. \$70 or best offer.
- -50ft. Rohn tower, with new hardware and guy cables. Also Cushcraft A4-S Tribander, rotator and coax/cable \$500 (will not part out-you take down)
  Call Erv (W8ERV) at 517-202-6229

#### Overheard in Conversation:

'If a man says something and his wife isn't there to hear it... Is it still wrong?'

## **Sparky's Comments**

'Do YOU know anyone interested in Amateur Radio? Why not invite them to a CMARC meeting and let them see what we're about. It won't cost you, or them, anything and you never know when you might bring someone in who was looking for a way to come all along'.

'When you see someone new come to a CMARC meeting, do you cross the room to shake their hand, or do you cross the room to escape a meeting with them? A little kindness goes a LONG way and our first impressions are the most important. So take a moment and introduce yourself. Friends are made in moments just like this'.

## Local and Area VE Sessions

### Lansing V.E. 2001 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: Sep. 8th, Oct. 14th (HamFair) Nov. 10th.

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

### **Corunna VE Testing**

Apr. 26th, Jun. 28th, Aug. 23rd, Oct. 25th, Dec. 27th 6:30pm 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)

#### **QST WORDS**

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#### Word list

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## Calendar of Events for September, 2001

Sep-7th CMARC Meeting 7:30pm

Sep-8th 5.39 Breakfast, Flap Jack (6927 S. Cedar) 7:30am

Sep-12th OOTC Lunch 1pm. (contact Jerry Maslowski or Irv Graham for site)

Sep-16th Final HamFair meeting 2pm, Flap Jack (off 127, near Frandor)

Sep-29th QCWA Breakfast, Flap Jack (6927 S. Cedar) 8am

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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