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CMARC Board: KC8FSK replaces W8ERV



During last month's CMARC Board meeting, former president and current board member, J. Ervin Bates (W8ERV) announced his resignation. Erv will soon begin classes at Baker College, in Owosso and decided to step down, due to the demanding Nursing program he will undertake.

"I want to thank the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club for its support", Bates said. "We've made tremendous strides over the last few years and I wish continued success for the Club in its future."

Erv will continue to serve as Club Newsletter Editor, until such time as he is replaced, or classes get too hectic, but he also noted that he is going to be working with Scott Tickner (W8ATT), to get the site handed off, as soon as time permits.

As is customary in this situation, a replacement may be appointed by the board members and Jane Hosford (KC8FSK) got the nod for the remainder of 2009. Jane has been a hard worker at CMARC for many years and has served on the board in many capacities, as well.

Because this was the final year of Erv's two year term, Jane will be able to run for a full two year slot in this years' regular election of board members. Welcome to the team, Jane!

Coming Soon...

**Interview with Lisa Spahr, Author
"WW2 Radio Heroes: Letters of Compassion"**

A chance comment, left on an Amateur Radio blog has blossomed into an incredible story. It's a story destined to be told, but it took more than 60 years!

Lisa Spahr's Grandfather was captured as a prisoner of war, during World War 2, in Germany. Following his capture, a recording of his voice, with name and where he was being held was broadcast on Shortwave Radio. It was the hope of the Germans that these broadcasts would break the will of the Americans, but history would show it had the opposite effect-and Amateur Radio played a key role in this plan.

We would like to invite you to watch for this interview, coming soon to the Scope and (hopefully) QST magazine. I have spoken at length with Lisa and she agreed to answer some questions for me last month. And, once the final product has been approved, you'll see it here FIRST.

73, Erv W8ERV
Scope Editor

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For Your Consideration

I want to take a moment to say, "Thank You" to everyone who has supported me at the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club. As many of you know, beginning in September, I will begin classes at Baker College. The medical field is exploding with possibilities and I have decided to pursue a Registered Nursing Degree.

Funny thing is, I never anticipated hanging up my keys to go into Nursing, yet here we are. This dynamic shift in the global economy has forced many people to consider options they would never have considered under different circumstances. Such is the case with my career.

Beginning this month, Scott Tickner (W8ATT) will take over much of the Club website. I am certain there are others who will need to help, but Scott is very capable and the site will be in good hands under his care. We are also working diligently to get the necessary software for Corey, so his Youth page can be updated regularly.

As for the Scope, I will continue to serve as editor, until such time as I am asked to step aside, or the classes get too hectic. But I am asking that everyone who submits items get them to me no later than the 20th of each month. I understand extenuating circumstances, but I have had submissions come in way after the deadline and I will no longer be able to accommodate those. I ask that you please be mindful in the coming months.

This will also be my last regular column in the Scope. I am going to turn my attentions to bringing you interesting articles, such as the one I am currently working on with Lisa Spahr. Amateur Radio is chock full of good ideas for stuff...so let's see what I can put together for you in future issues.

It's also been my honor to serve on the Board of CMARC as both president, as well as director. I find that those positions are quite equal, when you consider the importance of doing the job well. I hope I have met that requirement.

Hopefully, in three years, I can come to some meeting night to celebrate my new Nursing Degree. Until then, I'll keep you informed on my progress-and yes, I will be as active as my schooling allows.

73, Erv



CERT CLASS FORMING NOW!

September 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 6pm-9:30pm

September 26 9am-Noon

Lansing Emergency Management

815 Marshall Street

Lansing, MI 48912

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training involves approx. 20 hours of free training that will better prepare individuals to deal with disasters and emergencies when local first responders may be overwhelmed. Training includes Disaster Preparedness, Disaster Psychology, CERT Organization, Terrorism, Light Search & Rescue, Medical 1 & 2, Fire Safety, Review and Final Simulation. CERTs then become part of the emergency response capability for their area as a team member. All segments are required for certification. Background checks are also required.

Registration: www.cityoflansingmi.com/fire/emerg_mngt/c_e_r_t.jsp

What's My Sign?

by Julie McLain KB8ZXR

I was born on July 28, 1984 in Lansing, Michigan. I grew up in Holt. I attended Holt High School but didn't graduate—I dropped out in the 11th grade. However, I did eventually get my GED, then went on to Lansing Community College where I got my Associates Degree in Computer Networking in Business, with a 3.54 GPA.

I don't have a lot of interesting stories about growing up, but I do remember storm chasing/spotting with my Dad. I remember one particular day we ended up in Leslie where a big tree had been blown over, blocking the road. That was back when Leslie was still just a small town. I also remember another time when we were sitting at the commuter parking lot at 127 and Holt Road and a heck of a storm blew in. We ended up taking this guy on a bike back to his house because the lightning was insane!

I used to listen to the Weather Nets, and always had just a general interest in weather. My Grandpa was a Ham, and was the City Emergency Manager in Lansing for 25 years. My Uncle Dan is also licensed (N8FUF). I finally told my Dad in the Spring of 2005 that I was going to SKYWARN class in April and attending the Lansing VE session to take my Ham exam in May. He joined me and both of us passed on May 14, 2005 along with Corey/KD8BOQ and Tyler/KD8BOP, who also attended the same VE session. I remember that Don/KD8BD signed my CSCE, but I forget who else signed it. My Dad apparently tried and passed the Morse Code exam in the 9th grade but missed the written.

VHF/UHF phone is my favorite mode of operation, although I am a big fan of APRS, as well. I enjoy ATV and SSTV, and think all modes have uses. I don't do any CW and am proud of it! I've used SSB phone on HF before, but I don't find it a lot of fun. My current rig is also my favorite—the Kenwood D710A mobile radio and can't imagine ever owning a better rig. My HT is a Kenwood TH-F6A, which is also one of the best HT's I have ever used or seen. As far as my favorite Amateur Radio service, I love doing all things Public Service-related. Believe it or not, SKYWARN is no longer my favorite Amateur Radio service.

As far as my personal life goes, I have been single for the greater portion of the last 5 years. Because I am single, I am able to travel a lot and chase weather across the United States. My best intercepts to date have been the Earle, AR Tornado on May 2, 2008 with Chad Rust/KD8AYM and a close encounter with a very large and violent tornado in West Texas with David Drummond/WX5TVS. I also have lost a windshield due to "baseball size" hail. There are plenty of dents on my truck from hail ranging from "quarter size" to "baseball size". I also enjoy riding roller coasters. I have season passes to Six Flags and Cedar Point each year, and visit parks regularly. My favorite roller coaster is the "Magnum XL-200" at Cedar Point. I also love "Shivering Timbers" at Michigan's Adventure in Muskegon, "The Voyage" at Holiday World in Santa Claus, IN, and "X" at Six Flags Magic Mountain in Valencia, CA.

I work for LiquidWeb Inc., a large Lansing-based datacenter. We have somewhere around 10,000 servers or more. I am one of the Technical Support Supervisors, and oversee/supervise our phone and Help Desk support departments. I also stream video for TornadoVideos.net while Storm Chasing and storm chase for WLNS TV-6 in Lansing and WOOD TV-8 in Grand Rapids.

I belong to many clubs including the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club, the Lansing Civil Defense Repeater Association, the Lansing/Ingham Amateur Radio Public Service Corps, the National Rifle Association, and the Great Ohio Coaster Club.

Okay, now that you and I have gotten better acquainted, "What's My Sign?" My callsign is WX8BEN, my name is Ben Holcomb and I'm currently in charge of Lansing Area SKYWARN. My father is Mike Holcomb, and he acquired my grandfather Jim Holcomb's callsign (WA8KZY) through the Vanity Callsign Program.

If you know of someone who would make a good What's My Sign Candidate, contact Julie McLain (KB8ZXR) at 517-694-0812 or email kb8zxr@aol.com

Bits N Bytes...First Look

Birthdays & Anniversaries

8/1 - Elizabeth Stein (KD8GYN)	8/2 - Rudolf Band (KD8DAS)
8/3 - Joe Denomme (N8VYS)	8/4 - Phillip Dowker (KC8FXS)
8/5 - Jaymes Kenyon (KC8DJH)	8/5 - Glenn Sommerfeldt (KG8LE)
8/7 - Ralph Riggs (N8YQJ)	8/9 - David Held (N8CFM)
8/9 - Daniel Harger (W8BCI)	8/10 - Jack Wiswasser & Wife Anniv.
8/10 - Jason Southwell & Wife Anniv.	8/11 - Don & Julie McLain Anniv.
8/11 - Duane Cross & Wife Anniv.	8/12 - Richard Cole
8/13 - Jon Seaver (N8SUA)	8/14 - John & Jane Hosford Anniv.
8/15 - Jeff Oberg & the Pope Anniv.	8/15 - Jolyon Vincent & Wife Anniv.
8/17 - Keith Watson & Wife Anniv.	8/18 - Michael Bockrath & Wife Anniv.
8/20 - Dewey Marlatt & Wife Anniv.	8/21 - Richard Stortz (K8JNZ)
8/21 - Dave Hayhurst (K8QH)	8/22 - Dan Fuller & Wife Anniv.
8/22 - Edward Schweifler & Wife Anniv.	8/23 - Tom Rocheleau (WA8WPI)
8/24 - Keegan & Amanda Lamp Anniv.	8/26 - Don & MaryLou Tillitson Anniv.
8/28 - Michael Vanatta (KC8RWQ)	



Memories of Mom Cookbooks on Sale Reduced to Only **\$5.00**

We still have more than 100 copies of the 'Memories of Mom' cookbook to sell, and we are asking for your help. If we *all* chip in to sell them, the money raised will benefit CMARC for the next couple years...so it really is worth the effort, even at the reduced price!

If you are a member of a local Church, or other organization, please consider taking a few and offer them to your friends. With all the good recipes in there, these cookbooks really do sell themselves. If you don't believe me, just start telling someone about Gloria Cote's Peanut Butter Sheetcake and see if you don't sell one...or two....or five!

For more information, contact Erv at 517-202-6229, or email him at w8erv@acd.net. If copies need to be mailed, please add \$4.95 to cover postage and handling.

Stuff For Sale...

- (1) 2 meter/440 Kenwood, Dual Band, TH-D7 (G) hand held radio in perfect, 100% functional condition. There's not a scratch on it!
 - (2) Kenwood BC-19 battery charger with AC wall wart
 - (3) Kenwood BC-11 battery pack (for AA batteries)
 - (4) Tram 5/8 wave magnetic mount mobile antenna with adapter to connect to handheld (Like New)
 - (5) Diamond 2 meter Omni-directional base antenna (Like New)
 - (6) Instructional manual for the hand held
- Asking price: \$350.00...These items are sold as a package only, all items in excellent condition. If you are interested, please contact Lowel Nash (K8LPD).
Cell phone: (517) 290-8910

Hygain 14 element 2 meter Yagi-Uda beam antenna. \$25. Gregg Mulder 517-646-6257 after 5pm.

If YOU have something to sell, or trade, feel free to put it in the Scope. Contact Erv for details.

Bits N Bytes...Second Look



Legendary CBS newsman Walter Cronkite, KB2GSD, who held the title of "Most Trusted Man in America," passed away Friday, July 17 after long illness. He was 92. The avuncular Cronkite anchored the CBS Evening News for 19 years until 1981 when he retired. During that time, he reported on such subjects as the Kennedy assassinations, the Civil Rights movement, the Apollo XI lunar landing, Vietnam and the Vietnam-era protests, the Arab-Israeli Six Day War, Watergate and the Begin-Sadat peace accords.

Cronkite, an ARRL member, narrated the 6 minute video "Amateur Radio Today" (<http://www.arrl.org/ARToday/>). Produced by the ARRL in 2003, the video tells Amateur Radio's public service story to non-hams, focusing on ham radio's part in helping various agencies respond to wildfires in the Western US during 2002, ham radio in space and the role Amateur Radio plays in emergency communications. "Dozens of radio amateurs helped the police and fire departments and other emergency services maintain communications in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington, DC," narrator Cronkite intoned in reference to ham radio's response on

September 11, 2001. "Their country asked, and they responded without reservation."

Walter Leland Cronkite was born in St Joseph, Missouri on November 4, 1916, the only child of a dentist father and homemaker mother. When he was still young, his family moved to Texas. "One day, he read an article in "Boys Life" about the adventures of reporters working around the world -- and young Cronkite was hooked," said his obituary on the CBS Web site. "He began working on his high school newspaper and yearbook and in 1933, he entered the University of Texas at Austin to study political science, economics and journalism. He never graduated. He took a part time job at the Houston Post and left college to do what he loved: report."

(<http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2009/07/17/eveningnews/main5170556.shtml>)

In 1963, it was Cronkite who broke into the soap opera "As the World Turns" to announce that the president had been shot -- and later to declare that he had been killed." CBS called it a "defining moment for Cronkite, and for the country. His presence -- in shirtsleeves, slowly removing his glasses to check the time and blink back tears -- captured both the sense of shock, and the struggle for composure, that would consume America and the world over the next four days."

One of Cronkite's enthusiasms was the space race. In 1969, when America sent a man to the moon, he couldn't contain himself. "Go baby, go." he said as Apollo XI took off. He ended up performing what critics described as "Walter to Walter" coverage of the mission -- staying on the air for 27 of the 30 hours that astronauts Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong were on the moon. In

2006, NASA honored Cronkite by giving him their Ambassador of Exploration Award. "His marathon, live coverage of the first moon landing brought the excitement and impact of the historic event into the homes of millions of Americans and observers around the world," NASA said in a news release announcing the award. Cronkite was the first non-astronaut and only NASA outsider to receive the award.

(<http://www.arrl.org/?artid=6130>.)

Steve Mendelsohn, W2ML, was Cronkite's radio engineer at CBS for many years. "I had many chances to discuss my favorite hobby, ham radio, with 'the world's most trusted anchor man,'" he told the ARRL. "Gradually, his interest increased, but on finding that he had to pass a Morse code test, he balked, saying it was too hard for him; however, he told me he had purchased a receiver and listened to the Novice bands every night for a few minutes."

At the CBS Radio Network, Walter would arrive 10 minutes before we went on the air to read his script aloud, make corrections for his style of grammar and just 'get in the mood' to do the show. In those days Rich Moseson, W2VU, was the producer of a show called "In the News," a 3 minute television show for children voiced by CBS Correspondent Christopher Glenn. On this day, Rich was at the Broadcast Center to record Chris' voice for his show and had dropped by my control room to discuss some upcoming ARRL issues." At the time, Mendelsohn was the ARRL Hudson Division Director.

"When Walter walked into the studio, I started to set the show up at the behest of our director, Dick Muller, WA2DOS," Mendelsohn

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recalled. "In setting up the tape recorders, I had to send tone to them and make sure they were all at proper level. Having some time, I grabbed "The New York Times" and started sending code with the tone key on the audio console. For 10 minutes I sent code and noticed Walter had turned his script over and was copying it. We went to air, as we did every day, at 4:50 PM and after we were off, Walter brought his script into the control room. Neatly printed on the back was the text I had sent with the tone key. Rich and I looked at the copy, he nodded, and I told Walter that he had just passed the code test. He laughed and asked when the formal test was, but I reminded him that it took two general class licensees to validate the test and he had just passed the code. Several weeks later he passed the written test and the FCC issued him KB2GSD."

Mendelsohn helped Cronkite make his first Amateur Radio contact: "Having passed the licensing test, Walter was now ready to get on the air. His first QSO was on 10 meters about 28.390 MHz. He was nervous and I called him on the phone to talk him through his first experience. As we talked on the air, a ham from the Midwest come on and called me. Acknowledging him, I asked the usual questions about where he was from, wanting to give Walter a bit of flavor of what the hobby was about. I turned it over to Walter, and following his introduction, the gentleman in the Midwest said, 'That's the worst Walter Cronkite imitation I've ever heard.' I suggested that maybe it was Walter and the man replied, 'Walter Cronkite is not even a ham, and if he was, he certainly wouldn't be here on 10 meters.'

Walter and I laughed for weeks at that one."

In 2007, ARRL Hudson Division Director Frank Fallon, N2FF, presented Cronkite with the ARRL President's Award. This award, created in 2003 by the ARRL Board of Directors, recognizes an ARRL member or members who "have shown long-term dedication to the goals and objectives of ARRL and Amateur Radio" and who have gone the extra mile to support individual League programs and goals. Cronkite was selected to receive the award in April 2005 in recognition of his outstanding support of the ARRL and Amateur Radio by narrating the videos "Amateur Radio Today" and "The ARRL Goes to Washington" (<http://www.arrl.org/pio/VTS-video.wmv>.) "It was quite a thrill to make this presentation to Cronkite," Fallon said. "He has long been recognized as the 'most trusted man in America,' so lining our causes to his face, name and voice has been a great help."

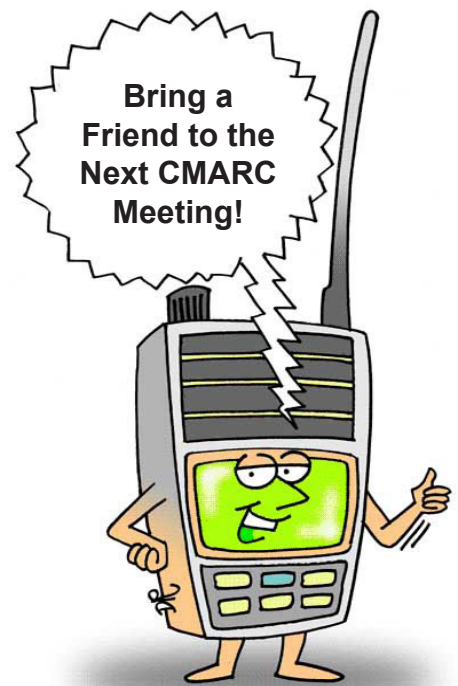
Cronkite is the recipient of a Peabody Award, the William White Award for Journalistic Merit, an Emmy Award from the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, the George Polk Journalism Award and a Gold Medal from the International Radio and Television Society. In 1981, during his final three months on the CBS Evening News, Cronkite received 11 major awards, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom. In 1985, he became the second newsman, after Edward R. Murrow, to be selected for the Television Hall of Fame.

A private memorial service was scheduled for July 23 in New York City. Cronkite will be cremated and his remains buried in Missouri next to his wife Betsy, who passed away in 2005. A public memorial service will be held within the next

month at Avery Fisher Hall at the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations to the Walter and Betsy Cronkite Foundation through the Austin Community Foundation (<http://www.austincommunityfoundation.org/>), which will distribute contributions to various charities the couple supported.

As Cronkite said on March 6, 1981, concluding his final broadcast as anchorman: "Old anchormen, you see, don't fade away, they just keep coming back for more. And that's the way it is."

**The Central Michigan
Amateur Radio Club
Welcomes ALL of
Our New Members
And Visitors!**



CMARC Meeting Notes

CMARC BOARD MEETING

July 10, 2009

President Sharon Waite/KD8HHK brought the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. with the following Board members in attendance: Secretary John Hosford/KC8QZB, Treasure Ron Harger/WD8BCS, Under 22 Director Corey Bullock/KD8BOQ, Director Don McLain/KB8RAD and Director Erv Bates/W8ERV. Also present was Michelle Bates, Dan/W8BCI. Excused were: Bob/K8RDN.

Erv/W8ERV announced his resignation from the CMARC board. he then presented a letter of resignation to the club president Sharon/KD8HHK.

Madam President:

After careful consideration of the facts and information I have at hand, it is with great regret that I submit my resignation from the Board of the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club, effective July 11 2009.

I will be attending Baker College in September of this year, so my time will be greatly divided. I feel a member of the Board should be able to dedicate time to their position and I cannot assure you of that, at this time. Therefore, I made the decision to resign.

You have been a fantastic president to work with Sharon and I wish you continued success. As I promised you in December of last year, I will work with CMARC as much as possible.

Very Truly Yours,
J. Ervin Bates, W8ERV
CMARC Director

Erv/W8ERV reported that he talked to Roger/AB8RX about filling Erv's position as director for the remainder of the year. Erv/W8ERV nominated Roger/AB8RX. Sharon/KD8HHK asked if anyone knows of any other candidates who has expressed interest in being a board member. Don/KB8RAD reported that Jane/KC8FSK has said that she would like to be on the board if a position became available. Don/KB8RAD nominated Jane/KC8FSK. the board voted to have Jane/KC8FSK serve the remainder of Erv/W8ERV's term as director. Jane/KC8FSK was not present, John/KC8QZB will ask her tonight and email the board her decision. Ron/WD8BCS made a motion that if Jane/KC8FSK declines that Roger/AB8RX is automatically in, Erv/W8ERV seconded the motion and approved.

Corey/KD8BOQ asked how the mailings are going. Erv/W8ERV reported that he has not sent any letters since our last cmarc meeting because of field day and other things going on. Dan/W8BCI reported the the new tower for WKAR is temporarily on hold because the bids were more than they expected.

Erv/W8ERV asked Dan/W8BCI if there was a problem with the 100 hz lansing link to the grand rapids repeater system. Dan/W8BCI reported that it stopped working the other day. Dan reported that the problem has been

fixed. John/KC8QZB reported that the michigan antique radio club extravaganza is today and tomorrow at the causway bay hotel at cedar st and I96. Erv/W8ERV reported that we sold six more cookbooks at field day. Erv/W8ERV asked for field day photos from any year cmarc field day to be scanned and sent to his email address. Don/KB8RAD reported that Julie/KB8ZXR has upgraded to general and as of yesterday she is on the database as a VE examiner.

Don/KB8RAD also reported that Lowell/K8LPD has mailed him a letter explaining that he wants to reduce his ham radio inventory. a dual band ht, battery charger with wall adapter, 5/8 wave magnet mount antenna with adapter to hook up to the ht, diamond base antenna. he wants to sell this as a package for \$350.00. Erv/W8ERV reported that the field day scores were 583 for phone, 280 for cw and 24 for vhf.

With all business concluded, Corey/KD8BOQ made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Erv/W8ERV and approved. The Board meeting closed at 7:29 p.m.

John/KC8QZB asked Jane/KC8FSK that night after the cmarc meeting if she would accept the nomination to serve on the board for Erv's/W8ERV remaining term. Jane/KC8FSK accepted.

John Hosford/KC8QZB – Secretary

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CMARC Meeting Notes

CMARC MEETING MINUTES

July 10, 2009

President Sharon Waite/KD8HHK called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. and welcomed both our members and those visiting with us tonight. We had a moment of silence in memory of our "Silent Keys".

ATTENDANCE: There were 35 people in attendance (30 members and 5 visitors). Our guests were: Mike Sanders/KC8FCA and Nora Sanders, Mary Tillitson, Michelle Bates, our speaker for the evening; Dale Williams/W8EFK.

NEW LICENSES, UPGRADES and VANITY CALLS: Julie/KB8ZXR just upgraded to General and is now a "VE".

Don/KB8RAD also reported that Lowell/K8LPD has mailed him a letter explaining that he wants to reduce his ham radio inventory. a dual band ht, battery charger with wall adapter, 5/8 wave magnet mount antenna with adapter to hook up to the ht, diamond base antenna. he wants to sell this as a package for \$350.00.

CARDS AND FLOWERS REPORT: nothing to report this month.

INTERESTING DX CONTACTS: contact was made with Puerto Rico on 6 meters

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next CMARC meeting will be on Friday, August 6th at 7:30 p.m. Don/KB8RAD has license manuals to borrow for anyone that wants to get their license or upgrade. The michigan antique

radio club extravaganza is today and tomorrow at the Causway Bay Hotel at cedar st and I96. the youth liason Carl/K8YHH is being replaced by Don/KB8RAD. it is long distance for Carl/K8YHH to call Corey/KD8BOQ and Don/KB8RAD lives one mile away from Corey/KD8BOQ. Sharon/KD8HHK announced that the club is loosing Erv/W8ERV as a board member. he is having changes in his life and he makes such an effort. he wants to make sure that whoever is on the board can give 100 percent at a board meeting. he is going to be doing a lot of school work and has asked to withdraw as a director for the rest of his term. replacing him the board has selected jane hosford/KC8FSK. Jane will be a board member beginning next month(august 2009).

Sharon/KD8HHK announced that the new 1000 foot tower for WKAR is on hold. the bids were too high and they don't have enough money yet. we will get more information from Dan/W8BCI next month.

OLD BUSINESS:A motion to accept the June Treasurer's report as printed in the July SCOPE subject to annual audit was made by Don/KB8RAD, seconded by Wayne/W8QG and approved. A motion to accept the December Secretary's Report as printed in the January SCOPE was made by Erv/W8ERV, seconded by Don/KD8BD and approved. .

John/KC8QZB reported that everyone that he had talked to had fun at field day, the phone

stations had 583 contacts, the cw station had 280 contacts, and the vhf station had 24 contacts. John/KC8QZB also reported that he was a little nervous about having two phone stations, however, both phone stations were busy all weekend. he also congratulated everyone that helped out with field day in any way. Sharon/KD8HHK thought it was a great field day and liked combining the picnic with field day, she also thanked Linda/K8LCC for the organization of the food. Linda/K8LCC also thanked all that helped with the food.

Don/WB8NUS thanked everybody for the cards and flowers that he got while he was in the hospital. he also reported that the ms150 bikeathon is this saturday and sunday, he has 14 people and has three signed up to help, several that normally help with the ms150 are at common ground. he also reported that the ms150 will be the 2nd week of July next year. Paul/AB8VN reported that a ham that was climbing a temporary tower at field day and that the tower collapsed and the climber later died. Bernie/N8PVZ reported that he has some equipment for sale. he has put some flyers around the room.

UNDER 22 REPORT: Corey Bulock/KD9BOQ reported that he is having a good turnout on the MRAY net each month on the Grand Rapids link repeater system 7PM every thursday night (145.470 for the lansing area), there will be a flyer on the table after Dale/W8EFK's presentation.

CMARC Meeting Notes, Extras

50/50 DRAWING: Chris/AB8ZL won \$9.00 in tonight's drawing and donated the winnings to the club.

BREAK: [Sec. Note: Thank you to all who helped with the goodies—your contributions are always GREATLY appreciated!]

MAIN PROGRAM AND/OR SPEAKER: Dale Williams/W8EFK was our speaker for the evening. He put on an interesting program on the federal bill HR2160 and the PRB-1 and talked about the importance of them to the amateur radio community. With all business being concluded, we adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

John Hosford/KC8QZB – Secretary

It's Time To Get Radio Active...

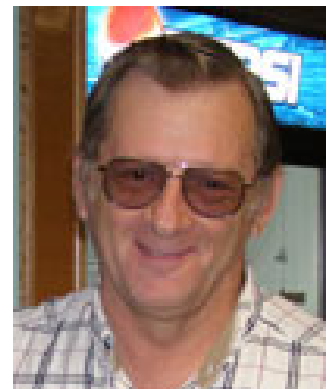
Bring a Friend and Show Them What

Amateur Radio
Is All About!

Ham Radio...it's not just for grown-ups anymore!

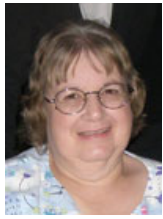


~ Breaking CMARC News ~ Statler & Waldorf EXPOSED!!!



For years, I've wondered and finally, the proof has come forth. Our VP, Bob (K8RDN) and Carl (K8YHH) have been positively identified as world renowned hecklers, Statler and Waldorf, of the Muppet Show. In this photo, secretly submitted to Scope Staff, the likeness is Un-CAN-ny. You be the judge, but we have obtained verification that these two have been pulling the wool over our eyes for years. Someone had to expose the charade!

Ladies of CMARC News



Tea Time Luncheon Wrap-Up

by Julie McLain, KB8ZXR

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We had to cancel the Luncheon on Saturday, July 25th at "Finley's American Grill" in Lansing, because so many Ladies were unable to attend due to illness and previous engagements. However, we've decided to pick up where we left off next month. So Ladies, if you've been reading about all the fun we have each month and would like to join us for one of our Luncheons, please be sure to circle Saturday, August 22nd on your calendar! That's the date of our next Ladies Tea Time Luncheon, and this time we're going to "Bob Evan's Restaurant" in S. Lansing.

Remember, you DON'T have to be a Ham to join us. . .you only need to enjoy food, fellowship and fun!! If you're not on our mailing list and would like to be, just contact Julie McLain, KB8ZXR at (517) 694-0812 or at KB8ZXR@aol.com. For more information on any Ladies Tea Time Luncheons be sure to check out the "SCOPE" or the CMARC Website at: www.centralmiarc.com.



AUGUST LADIES TEA TIME LUNCHEON

Please Join Us Saturday, August 22nd at 12:30 P.M. For Our Next Ladies Tea Time Luncheon. We Will Be Meeting at "Bob Evan's Restaurant" Located at 900 American Road in south Lansing.

Remember Ladies, You Don't Need a Ham License To Take Part in Our Get-togethers. You Only Need to Enjoy Food, Fun and Fellowship! To Guarantee Seating,

*Please RSVP by Friday, August 21st
By Calling Julie McLain at: (517) 694-0812 or
E-Mail Me at KB8ZXR@AOL.COM*

*~Julie McLain, KB8ZXR
Ladies Tea Time Luncheon Coordinator*



Teen Talk

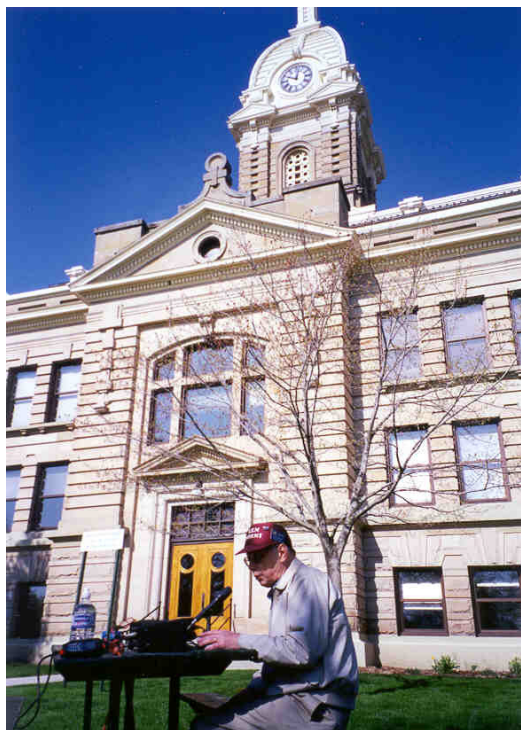


Teen Talk is on vacation again this month, but will return in September with more information, excitement and news for our Under 22 members. Be sure to look for us in the next edition of the Scope.



Vintage CMARC Stuff

CMARC's 50th Anniversary Special Event



It was a beautiful, sun-drenched Saturday afternoon and the band conditions were nice, too. CMARC was celebrating it's 50 year anniversary as an Affiliated Club with the ARRL and we all converged on the Courthouse in Mason, Michigan.

George Race (WB8BGY), our Division Director, presented us with a celebratory plaque and he even came back for the Special Event to do a little operating. A class act, Ol' George is.

There are only a few of these photos in existence, from what I know, but we'll have to get them to Scott, so he can get them on a page at CMARC's website.



Top: Don Devendorf (W8EGI) and George Race spin the dial during our Special Event in Mason. Circa 2000. Bottom: The plaque, commemorating 50 years of ARRL Affiliation is presented to (then) president, J. Ervin Bates (W8ERV) and CMARC's longest-serving member, Don Devendorf (W8EGI). Both are flanked by Great Lakes Dir., George Race (WB8BGY)



Local & Special Interest News

CMARC Treasurer's Report

Primary Share Acct. (Humphries Fund)	\$ 54.95
Business Checking	\$ 971.00
NuUnion Certificate of Deposit (2/12/09)	\$ 999.74

Net Worth as of 6/30/09	\$2025.69
Youth Fund Balance* (as of 6/30/09)	\$ 148.00

**separate from CMARC Funds*

Submitted,
Ron Harger, WD8BCS
CMARC Treasurer



Upcoming Events

MSU WWW Walk September 13, 2009 Time to be determined, meeting at Hawk Island Park. Talk-In 146.940

Hospice Walk October 4, 2009 2pm Hawk Island Park. Talk-In 146.940

Thank you for all your help this year!
-Jeremiah Sevrey (KC8EIA)

The 2009 CMARC & LCDRA Boards

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Meetings: Quarterly on the third Thursday of the month, beginning at 7:00pm. Meetings are held at Fire Station #8, corner of Marshall and Grand River, in Lansing, MI.

Weekly Nets in the Greater Lansing Area

Nets are a great way to learn organized communication, as well as to meet and get to know your fellow Hams. The Lansing area offers many Nets and they are listed below. Please feel free to check into one, or ALL of them...and everyone is welcome!

Sunday 7:00pm - Central Michigan Slow scan Net. This NET has been cancelled until Fall, per Carl (K8YHH). Enjoy the Summer, guys and gals!

Sunday 8:30pm - Central Michigan Information Net. Join Bob (K8RDN) for this weekly gathering on the 145.390 repeater. All are welcome to attend.

Monday 7:00pm - ARPSC Net. Don (KB8RAD) welcomes one and all for this weekly Net on the 145.390 repeater. The purpose of the Net is to learn proper etiquette for a controlled Net. (NO NET ON MEETING NIGHT)

Tuesday 7:00pm - Ladies' Tea Time Net. Julie (KB8ZXR) is your hostess and all Lady Hams and Lady Non-Hams are encouraged to drop in. Of course, for the Lady Non-Hams, a licensed operator would need to check in with you, but it's lots of fun. Guys are welcome, too and we are on the 145.390 repeater. See you there!

Tuesday 8:00pm - QCWA Net. Your Net Control is Don (WB8NUS) and all licensed Amateurs are welcome to stop in to the 146.700 repeater and say hi.

Thursday 7:00pm - Michigan Radio Amateur Youth (MRAY) Net, with Corey (KD8BOQ). If you are Under 22, drop in to the 145.470 (-) (100hz PL) repeater and say hi. Corey promises LOTS of information and fun for the young people of Michigan. Sounds like a good Net to visit!

As with all Nets, 3rd party checkins must have Control Operator present at checkin time.

VE Testing & Special Announcements

Lansing V.E. Testing Session #1

Testing is held at the Lansing America Red Cross, in the Kropschot Room
at 1800 E. Grand River; Lansing, MI 48909

Pre-registration starts at 9:30am and testing starts at 10:00am for the following date:

Saturday September 12, 2009

Our VE Team's local contact is Donald McLain-KB8RAD at (517) 694-0812

Returnable Cans/Bottles Wanted!

As we've been doing, we are asking one and all to bring their returnable cans and bottles to the CMARC meeting for our Under 22 members.

The bottles and cans will be turned into cash and the money will be used for Youth activities during this year.

All we ask is that they be clean and bagged, so we can take them to Meijer. Your support for CMARC Youth is appreciated and we've already raised nearly \$150! Thanks!

Sunday Slow Scan Net Cancelled Until Fall 2009

Carl Canfield contacted me recently to inform me that, effective immediately, the Sunday evening Slow Scan Net has been put in mothballs, until Fall. Carl has had this Net since April of last year and he's decided that the Summer months should be enjoyed, so he has made this decision.

Frankly, I think he wants to ride his motorcycle, but who am I? 73, Carl and see you on the air-back at post in the Fall.

Lansing VE Session #2

Tuesday August 4th - 7pm

Lansing Police Dept., South Precinct,
3400 S. Cedar St., Lansing
Downstairs, Sm. Conf. Room
(Lansing VE Team)

Contact: Don McLain (KB8RAD)
phone: (517) 694-0812

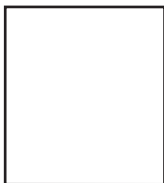
Livingston ARC

Tuesday August 11th - 7pm

Livingston Co. EOC,
300 S. Highlander Way, Howell
(Lansing VE Team)

Contact: G. Bruce VanDam (N8GVD)
phone: (313) 999-5547





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