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## CMARC Remembers One of Its Cornerstone Members

# Don Devendorf (W8EGI) - SK



Don was always at CMARC draw when he spoke. At his last presentation in April 2009, it was nearly a full house.

The Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club is mourning Don Devendorf (W8EGI), affectionately known as the "Grand OM" of the Club. He and Jean, his wife of 67 years, were vacationing in Ft. Meyers, Florida and Don passed in his sleep on Friday, February 5th at the youthful age of 95 years.

First licensed in 1931, Don's long and storied past with CMARC stretches way back into the 1940's after his civilian service to our country at the

military base in Kodiak, Alaska, during World War 2. He retired in 1968 as chief of the Flight Service Station, and went on to work for MSU as a radio engineer at WKAR.

Many of you will recall the multitude of articles penned by Devendorf for QST, as well as the occasional submission for the Scope. If there was anyone who could spin an interesting yarn, it was Don. In fact, one of his articles on World War 2 was featured here in the Scope just a few months ago.

Don is survived by his wife, Jean Devendorf; son David (Shari), daughter Susan (Donald) Shuler; grandchildren David (Jennifer) Shuler, Kristen Shuler, Scott (Liz) Devendorf and Brian (Beth) Devendorf; great-grandchildren, Alex, Nicolas, Hannah and Samuel Shuler; nephew Norman (Carol) Devendorf.

Services will be Saturday, February 13th at 11am at the Edgewood United Church UCC, 469 N. Hagadorn Road, East Lansing, MI with Pastor Karen E. Gale officiating. The family will receive friends Friday, February 12th, 2-4p and 6-8p at Gorseline Runciman Funeral Homes, 1730 E. Grand River, East Lansing.

Those wishing to submit photos and personal memories of this truly great man can do so, by visiting the club website and clicking on the memorial page. Corey (KD8BOQ) will be adding these as quickly as possible and we encourage your comments.

On behalf of all CMARC Members, we wish the very best to Jean and the Devendorf Family. Don will be greatly missed by his Amateur Radio family, here in Lansing. ~73 from all of us

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January/February 2010

# For Your Consideration

We have so much to celebrate this month at CMARC, and yet that celebration has been tempered by the passing of a good friend and the longest serving member of the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club. Don Devendorf (W8EGI) peacefully went home to meet with his Lord on Friday, February 5th while vacationing with his wife of 67 years, Jean, in Ft. Meyers, Florida. He leaves behind several Family members, but his extended CMARC Family will miss his humor, colorful tales and Don's smiling face.

Back in the late 1990's when I was pursuing my upgrade from Technician to Extra Class, I drove to several VE Testing sessions in southern Michigan, simply because I wanted to test while I was ready. Well, as fate would have it, it took me seven (yep, you read that right) attempts to pass the 20 WPM code test. It was a battle and on my last attempt, I passed that test....right here in Lansing.

That morning, Don Devendorf was serving as a VE and I still remember sweating my way through the test, nervously filling out my answers and then submitting it for grading. Don took his time reviewing the test, then kind of looked up and shrugged as he passed it to the next VE. I didn't know if I'd passed or not, so you can imagine the anxiety of that moment, but Don was so easy going, I couldn't read him. Well, when they announced that I'd passed the 20 WPM, Don was among the first to extend his hand and congratulate me on it. That was Don. Always a gentleman, always a class act and ALWAYS ready to share a story. To me, this is what made him such a great person.

And so, as we make this historic move into a new building....a building chock full of possibilities....we need to pause to remember our foundation. People like Don, Cur-rin Skutt, Harold Bell, Tiny Hewitt, Carl Hunsaker, Bill Chapman and Ralph Ziegenbein blazed the trail for us. They did so well, in fact, that all we have to do is maintain and build upon their success. I don't know about you, but I don't want to let their hard work and their memory be lessened by failing.

We have lots of work to do, but the best days of this Club are still ahead of us. Somehow, each year, we get good folks to serve on our Board and this year is no exception. But the rest of us need to do our part to make their job easier, too. We will have classes, but not without volunteers to teach those classes. We will have a tower construction project, but not without volunteers to do the work. We will have a GREAT future, but not without you. The next 12-24 months will be a pivotal time for CMARC... what will WE do with that time?

Let's roll up our sleeves and preserve the heritage of the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club for the next generation. We have 89 years worth of experience behind us, so the template is in place. All we have to do is study it, learn from it and duplicate it. What an exciting time to be a member of the best Ham Radio Club in the United States!

73, Erv

# What's My Sign?

by Julie McLain KB8ZXR

I was born on April 7, 1939 in Indianapolis, Indiana. In 1944, we moved to East Cleveland, Ohio so Dad could get a better job and support his growing family. It wasn't too long after I was born that my twin brothers came along. This made the Grandparents on both sides very happy, since we were the first Grandchildren. My mother was a typical 50's "stay-at-home" Mom, and Dad was a member of the Cleveland Orchestra, playing the Oboe and English Horn for 35 years. I was only five years old when Cleveland became our new home. This is where I grew up and where, in 1957, I graduated from Shaw High School. Directly upon graduation, I went to Purdue University for 4 years, graduating in 1961 with a BS in Technical Writing. In late 1961, I was caught by the Berlin Crisis, so I enlisted in the Army for 3 years. After auditioning for and making it into the West Point Band, I was stationed in the US Military Academy at West Point in New York, receiving the rank equivalent to Sergeant.

My interest in Amateur Radio began at about 15 years of age when I noticed somebody putting up a short-wave antenna across the street. They didn't have scanners back in those days, in fact, they barely had electricity! So, this antenna sparked my curiosity and I quickly became friends with my neighbor, Mark Rickman/W8HMQ. It was through his friendship and instruction that I became a Ham, getting my first license (Novice) on November 4, 1954. In October 1955, I upgraded to General under the "friendly" eyes of the infamous Dick Cotton, who came to the Cleveland Heights area every three months from the FCC office in Detroit, since the VE program wasn't created until many years later. In 1968 (while living in Texas), I upgraded to Advanced and then on to Extra. I don't know of very many Hams in my family, but I do know that an uncle of mine had his license for many years, and I'm proud to say that my son has had his for about ten years now.

I met my wife, Susan, when we were both members of the San Antonio Symphony. I played the Oboe and English Horn and she sat right behind me on stage playing her Bassoon. On May 31, 1969, we were married and made beautiful music together for 32 years. We have one son, Ken/KC8LTL, and a daughter who lives in Cleveland, Ohio with her husband and four kids. To support our family, I worked for years as a Technical Writer composing instruction manuals for Navy Defense Equipment and electronic telephone equipment.

My wife passed away on January 14, 2001 as the result of Diabetic complications. We had been talking about getting involved with another hobby, but it wasn't until after she had passed that I got started in it. And, as many of you know, I am now an avid Roller Blader at 70 years of age and spend much of my spare time visiting different rinks for exercise and fellowship. Even though I'm a lot older than most of the other Bladers, we really hit it off and they refer fondly to me as "Grandpa".

In addition to Roller Blading, other activities that consume my "spare" time include volunteering for the Lansing Red Cross for the last 6 years, and serving as a Volunteer Examiner with the Jackson VE Team for Amateur Radio license testing. I am a member of CMARC, LCDRA and the Lansing Area/Ingham County Amateur Radio Public Service Corps. I also belong to the Cascades Amateur Radio Club in my hometown of Jackson, Michigan. You can usually find me on 2 meters and I enjoy working AM, SSB and CW on my equipment which consists of a Ten Tec Jupiter Transceiver and a Vertical antenna good for 2 meters, 3/4 meters and 1.2 GHz. At one time I chased DX, but prefer public service nowadays.

When Julie asked me if I had any nice comments to share I replied, "CMARC's a great club and that's why I make the trip all the way from Jackson to attend the meetings every month, as well as to join in on other related events."

There, now that we've become a little better acquainted, "What's My Sign?" My Callsign is K18C and my name is Dick McGuire, winner of the 2008 Ziegenbein Award.

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](mailto:kb8zxr@aol.com)

# Bits N Bytes...First Look

## Birthdays & Anniversaries

January, 2010

01/01 Jan Bradfield (KC8BFBK)  
01/02 Tammy Burk  
01/05 Don Hinkle (KD8DJH)  
01/08 John Fisher (KD8LDN)  
01/08 Filemon 'Mhon' Brazas Jr.  
01/10 Vic Jackson (W9NDM)  
01/11 Ralph & Char Riggs Anniv.  
01/11 Louie Larche (KD8BWL)  
01/12 Tom Cain (KB8ZL)  
01/18 Dennis Boone (KB8ZQZ)  
01/23 Mary Lou Tillitson  
01/23 John Ingraham (NG8L)  
01/24 Pamela Denomme (KB8PSF)  
01/24 Keith Colister (K8CWQ)



February, 2010

02/01 Ellis Whithead (W8YB)  
02/04 Ralph Chapman (WA8HND)  
02/05 Mike Holcomb (WA8KZY)  
02/07 Robin Oakley  
02/09 Abe Kimball (W8ABE)  
02/10 Norman Burlew (WD8BHD)  
02/11 Chad Rust (KD8AYM)  
02/11 Dale Donelson (K8KOO)  
02/12 Robert Rose (KD8GLJ)  
02/13 Bill Serviss (KD8HHN)  
02/14 Don McLain (KB8RAD)  
02/19 Ron Meddaugh & Wife Anniv.  
02/25 Garry Watson (KC8MAD)  
02/26 Julie McLain (KB8ZXR)

If we're missing your Birthday or Anniversary, it's important that you let us know.  
Contact Erv and the situation will be rectified immediately. Thank you!

## Ziegenbein Nominations Are Open

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2009 Ziegenbein Award. Each year, the previous three recipients of this prestigious award and review the nominations sent in for candidates. The award is named after Ralph Ziegenbein (W8PLP-SK), who was affectionately known as, "Mr. Ham Radio" in Lansing and is bestowed upon a deserving member, who most exemplifies the true spirit of Amateur Radio.

It is important to note that the Ziegenbein is awarded, based on activities and such over the last calendar year. Now, because only one award is given each year, there has been a "back-log" of deserving candidates and it's been said that selecting a recipient each year is very difficult. That is a good problem for CMARC and the Ziegenbein Committee to have!

To be considered, the nominee must be a full current member of the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club. Additionally, all nominations must be sent in, via US Postal Service (no emails are accepted) and there can be absolutely no mass-produced letters of nomination. Each must also be signed by the person nominating their candidate.

All nominations must be postmarked not later than *March 15, 2010*, so the Committee can begin going through them and the announcement of this year's winner will be made at the 2010 Ladies' Night Banquet, as per tradition. Please send your nominations to *DeAnna Barnhill, ATTN: Ziegenbein Nominations, 12621 Turner Road, Portland, Michigan 48875*.

We look forward to seeing you all at Ladies' Night in May and to the announcement of the 2009 Ziegenbein Award winner.



# CMARC Meeting Notes

## **CMARC BOARD MEETING**

December 4, 2009

President Sharon Waite/KD-8HHK brought the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with the following Board members in attendance: Treasure Ron Harger/WD8BCS, Vice President Bob Berger/K8RDN, Secretary John Hosford/KC8QZB, Director Don McLain/KB8RAD Director Jane Hosford/ KC8FSK, Under 22 Director Corey Bulock/KD8BOQ. Also present was Erv/W8ERV and Dan/W8BCI.

Erv/W8ERV reported that after our last meeting he sent a letter to the Rd Cross – national chapter after being summarily dismissed after all the years that we have had a amateur radio station at the Lansing chapter of the Red Cross. A couple of e-mail's were exchanged and Erv/W8ERV was directed to talk with Rachelle Wood at the Lansing chapter of the Red Cross. Erv/W8ERV was told that there is nothing in the Red Cross charter that says they have to maintain a radio station at every chapter. Erv/W8ERV started e-mail communications with Rachelle Wood and there will be a meeting set up with the leadership team of CMARC and the Red Cross. Erv/W8ERV cannot remember that there was ever a meeting between CMARC and the Red Cross. The leadership committee is, Bob/K8RDN, Don/KB8RAD, Don/WB8NUS, Erv/W8ERV, Sharon/KD8HHK.

Don/KB8RAD reported that he sent a thank you letter to the

three most recent speakers.

Ron/WD8BCS reported that the audit for 2008 has been completed and found that a receipt for \$115.52 the money was originally allocated for postage for the project 2000 mailings. Erv/W8ERV and Ron/WD8BCS both remember the transaction.

Ron/WD8BCS respectfully submitted a letter in place of a receipt. A motion was made to accept the conversation between Erv W8ERV and Ron/WD8BCS in place of a paper receipt to complete the 2008 audit was made by Don/KB8RAD and 2nded by Bob/K8RDN and approved. Ron/WD8BCS also presented a suggested budget for the board to consider. John/KC8QZB reported that a card was sent to Inez/KY8V after the death of her brother.

With all business concluded, Ron/WD8BCS made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Don/KB8RAD and approved. The Board meeting closed at 7:28 pm.

*John Hosford/KC8QZB – Secretary*

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## **CMARC MEETING MINUTES**

December 4, 2009

President Sharon Waite/KD8HHK called the meeting to order at 7:37 pm. 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 47 people in attendance (43 mem-

bers and 4 visitors). Our guests were: Shannon Ranes, Chris Ranes/KC8CAJ, Donna Cote, Ed Poling/KD8MMP Ken Mc Guire/KC8LTL.

## **NEW LICENSES, UPGRADES and VANITY CALLS:**

Shannon Ranes just past her technician exam. Ed Poling/KD8MMP just past his technician.

## **CARDS AND FLOWERS REPORT:**

John Hosford/KC8QZB reported that a card was sent to Inez/KY8V after the death of her brother.

## **INTERESTING DX CONTACTS:**

Bob/K8rdn reported that Ken/W8AAX and Don/KC8CY made several dx contacts for the past month and they are on the map at the back of the room.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The next CMARC meeting will be on Friday, January 8th at 7:30pm, and February 5th.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Sharon/KD-8HHK reported that the following persons have accepted nomination for the election of CMARC board members. Corey/KD8BOQ, Jerry/KD8GLN, Jane/KC8FSK, Don/KB8RAD, Bob/K8RDN, Carl/K8YHH, Erv/W8ERV made a motion to open nominations and Dan/W8BCI 2nded and approved. Sharon/KD8HHK asked if there were any more nominations, there were no more nominations, Erv/W8erv moved that the nominations be closed 2nded by Dan/W8BCI

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and approved.

Elections were held and the board for 2010 is: Carl Canfield/K8YHH, Don McClain/KB8RAD, Jerry Waite/KD8GLN, Bob Berger/K8DN for one year and Corey Bullock/KD8BOQ ran unopposed. Don/KC8CY made a motion to destroy the ballots seconded by Don/KB8RAD and approved. Julie/KB8ZXR made a motion that the incoming and outgoing board members be the first in the food line seconded by Linda/K8LCC and approved.

Sharon reported that the committee to talk to the Red Cross is: Bob/K8RDN, Don/KB8RAD, Sharon/KD8HHK, Erv/W8ERV, Don/WB8NUS. they hope to meet with the Red Cross within the next two weeks to try and get some communication going, get some bridges built and work out what we are going to do. Don/KD8BD asked if anyone has talked to the salvation army about a building on jolly rd. Sharon/KD8HHK said that she did not know.

Bob/K8RDN reported that Jerry/KD8GLN and Carl/K8YHH were invited to go to a methodist church on the corner of Boston and Mt Hope about a week ago. In the combination church and school, there is a large room where meetings could be held with very nice tables and a full kitchen. out in the parking lot there is a building. the room that they suggested would not be work out because there are other groups that meet in that room during the week. We asked to see the basement and there are two large rooms that would

suit us very well. the furnace room is actually the nicest one of the two. the furnace is a high efficiency unit and is not very noisy. there are benches that we could use for our operating desk. there is also a workbench with a vice and we could do our projects on that table. the south wall is lined with big shelves/cabinets and things that we could store our items on. this is the first building that the committee has looked at and do not want to "buy the first car we look at" and will investigate further for a radio room for CMARC.

Bob/K8RDN reported that Carl/K8YHH was out of town and asked Bob/K8RDN to take the SSTV net at 7pm on the 145.390 repeater. the net went until 8:20 pm when the net was closed down. there were checkins from flushing and flint and horton. Bob/K8RDN said that he heard digital sstv for quite a while after the net was closed. Bob/K8rdn has talked to Carl/K8YHH and they will put in the pramble for the sstv net that out opportunity for digital sstv is at a maximum from 7pm sunday to 8:30pm sunday and no longer. they had a good time and there were some beautiful pictures.

Ron/WD8BCS reported that there was a field day committee meeting about a week or so ago and the purpose of that meeting was to decide where field day was to be held and it was unanimously decided to go to Gardener Middle School on Jolly rd between Washington and Cedar street for 2010. currently

the food chair is Linda Conklin/K8LCC. there will be two voice stations, one will be sponsored by CMARC group and the other will be sponsored by the ARPSC group. The ARPSC station chair is Wayne Conklin/W8QG. The CMARC station chair is John Hosford/KC8QZB and is also the field day co-chair. safety will be handled by Bob/K8RDN, Greg/WB8LZG will be the CW chair person, Erv/W8ERV has volunteered to be the photographer again. Dave/K8QH who brought us such a wonderful generator last year volunteered to do so again in 2010. Jim/K8DDQ will chair the 6meter phone station..... more to follow.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Greg/WB8LZG brought in some nice looking CW keys, they are different ones than the ones he has brought in before.

**UNDER 22 REPORT:** Don/KB8RAD reported that Corey/KD8BOQ says merry christmas to everybody and to look in the scope when it comes out for a wrapup of everything that he has done for the youth in the past year. Corey moved the MRAY net on the Grand Rapids link repeater system from 7 pm to 8 pm because several of the youth checking in said that 8 pm would work better since many have after school activities. the holt highschool communications club is now on the roster and is an official club at holt highschool. there are already three officers of the club. someone in school

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came up to him at school the other day. they heard Corey/KD8BOQ on a scanner and wanted to know how to become a ham so there are already some people getting interested in the club at school.

**50/50 DRAWING:** Jerry/KD8GLN won \$18.00 in tonight's drawing.

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

## MAIN PROGRAM AND/OR

**SPEAKER:** there was no speaker this month due to the annual Christmas party.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chris/AB8ZL and seconded by Bill/WD8NYW and approved.

*-John Hosford/KC8QZB – Secretary*

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## CMARC BOARD MEETING

January 8, 2010

President Sharon Waite/KD8HHK brought the board meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. with the following Board members in attendance: Vice President Bob Berger/K8RDN, Treasurer Jerry/KD8GLN, Secretary John Hosford/KC8QZB, Director Carl/K8YHH, Director Don McLain/KB8RAD, Director Jane Hosford/KC8FSK.. Excused were: Under 22 Director Corey Bulock/KD8BOQ also present were Morgan/KD8IWT

Bob/K8RDN reported that

Erv/W8ERV talked to the Red Cross - the removal of the antennas can wait until spring. Jerry/KD8GLN reported that he needs a book of stamps for club related mailing. the board voted and approved the purchase of a book of stamps.

With all business concluded, Jerry/KD8GLN made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Carl/K8YHH and approved. The Board meeting closed at 7:22 p.m.

*-John Hosford/KC8QZB Secretary*

## CMARC MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2010

President Sharon Waite/KD8HHK called the meeting to order at 7:33 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 49 people in attendance (42 members and 7 visitors). our speaker for the evening; Jeff Thrush/KD8LMI .

## CARDS AND FLOWERS RE-

**PORT:** nothing to report this month.

## INTERESTING DX CONTACTS:

Bob/K8RDN reminded everyone to check the DX map and check out the contacts that Ken/W8AAX and Don/KC8CY have made, contacts to places that he has never heard of before. Bob/K8RDN had a "rubber duck" ht

antenna that weighs about 2 ounces and that if you upgrade and get HF privileges you could build an antenna for 20 meters that weighs two ounces and talk all over the world. that should be an incentive for anyone that is wondering if they should upgrade or not. Greg/WB8LZG reported that he worked a norwegian station this morning from W8SH.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next CMARC meeting will be on Friday, February 6th at 7:30 p.m. there will be a beginners licensing class from January 23 2010 thru February 27 2010 at the Michigan State University Engineering Building room 1145. call Greg Mulder at 517-646-6257 or Michael Shanblatt at 517-332-0489. The TASYL tattler has given us a map of the new location for the Marshall Hamfest. Sharon/KD8HHK announced that if anyone needs to pay their dues that the treasurer Jerry/KD8GLN is here.

Dan/W8BCI reminded everyone that the LCDRA meeting will be on January 21,2010 at 7pm.

## OLD BUSINESS:

A motion to accept the December Secretary's Report as printed in the December SCOPE was made by Bernie/N8PVZ, seconded by Don/KD8BD and approved. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as printed in the December SCOPE subject to annual audit was made by Don/KB8RAD, seconded by Dan/W8BCI and approved. Sharon/KD8HHK said

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that Carl/K8YHH asked her to announce the building committee members. they are John/KC8QZB, Bob/K8RDN, Ron/WD8BCS, Don/KB8RAD, Corey/KD8BOQ, Erv/W8ERV, and Gerry/KD8GLN, and on the grant subcommittee is Sandy/W8GRO, Ericka/KD8KJU.

Carl/K8YHH made a report on a possible meeting location/ club radio room. the proposed location is the Salvation Army on Jolly rd just east of Washington. he showed some pictures on the screen, the station room is approximately 20 by 30 feet, a lot bigger than the room that we were in. when we asked about putting up a tower and running coax and putting a work table in the club radio room the salvation army Captain Norton said no problem. this would make the club radio room much more available than it has been in the past. we will be able to have a lock on the door so that the room can be secured.

the meeting room is approximately 35 by 65 so there is ample room for those attending. Captain Norton has asked us to remind those in attendance that this is a church and so we are asked to be mindful and respectful of our language. we are also required to clean up after ourselves because we are one of three organizations using the facility. the meeting room is a little wider than our former meeting room at the red cross. so far the cost is a donation to the electricity that we use. there is another group that was going to rent or

lease the room but they did not get the room because they did not come up with the funding.

It is important that we act quickly because if someone decides to come up with the money, we won't have it. we were told that we would be able to put in an operating bench, and a work table in the radio room. the radio room is on an outside wall. we have been asked to participate in the SATURN program. for the first time we would have a room that can be utilized by its members. we can hold antenna building classes, soldering classes, might even be fun to build some qrp rigs and troubleshoot them. we have a new opportunity to expose another organization to amateur radio and Captain Norton has already expressed interest in getting him an amateur radio license. there is more than enough parking on the side and the back of the building. the parking lot is well lit and will be plowed and sidewalks will be shoveled and salted. everything is on the first floor with handicap access. After careful consideration as well as a lengthy discussion and a vote by the relocation committee it is our recommendation that CMARC move permanently to the salvation army as soon as possible.

Erv/W8ERV is working on the proposal and once the vote is taken it will be submitted by Captain Norton. Dan Harger made a motion to present a proposal to the salvation army board requesting access to their Salvation Army building on Jolly

st. and a radio room for CMARC. John/N8SRN seconded and approved. a round applause was given for the building committee's efforts and for those involved in finding a meeting location for tonight on such short notice.

**UNDER 22 REPORT:** Don/KB8RAD reported that Corey/KD8BOQ will not be putting a teen talk article in the scope every month. he decided that he will put something in when something eventful happens. they still need to make a trip to Dexter to get some equipment to Stewart to help him out so that he can get into the repeater better. the youth net is still building and Corey/KD8BOQ hopes that things will pick up soon.

**50/50 DRAWING:** pastor rob/KD8JBZ won \$15.50 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!]

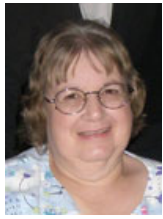
**MAIN PROGRAM AND/OR SPEAKER:** Jeff Thrush/KD8LMI was our speaker for the evening. He put on an interesting program on astronomy. With all business being concluded, we adjourned at 9:34pm.

*John Hosford/KC8QZB Secretary*

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# Ladies of CMARC News



## Tea Time Luncheon Wrap-Up

by Julie McLain, KB8ZXR

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Ladies Tea Time Luncheon Coordinator

Even though the weather was a little frigid for our first Ladies Tea Time Luncheon of 2010, we still had seven Ladies show up on Saturday, January 23rd at "Bob Evan's Restaurant" in south Lansing! As usual, we all had a great time getting together, but it would have been even nicer if YOU could have been there, too! If you have been reading all about the fun we have each month and would like to join us for one of our luncheons, please be sure to circle Saturday, February 13th on your calendar! That's the date of our next Ladies Tea Time Luncheon, and this time we're going to be meeting at Applebee's Restaurant, 6270 South Cedar Street in Lansing.

Remember, you DON'T have to be a Ham to join us. . . you just 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](mailto:KB8ZXR@aol.com). For more information on any Ladies Tea Time Luncheon, be sure to check out the "SCOPE" or visit CMARC's Website at [www.centralmiarc.com](http://www.centralmiarc.com).



### *LADIES TEA TIME LUNCHEON*

Please be sure to join us on Saturday, February 13th at 12:30 pm for our February Ladies Tea Time Luncheon. We will be meeting at Applebee's Restaurant, located at 6270 South Cedar Street in 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 make sure we can all sit together, please let me know by Friday, February 12th if you're planning to attend. You can contact me at: (517) 694-0812 or [KB8ZXR@aol.com](mailto:KB8ZXR@aol.com). I sure hope you'll join us, because we always have a great time getting together and I'm sure you will, too! 73!



# ~ Remembering W8EGI ~

With a little space left in this edition of the Scope, we felt it was only right that we pay tribute to Don Devendorf (W8EGI). As we do with all Silent Keys, we take photos from our collection and place them here for all to see, so the members have a special memento. Don was a member of this Club for about 60 years...and what a difference he made. Please be sure to check out the CMARC website, too.

Don with the ARRL 50 Year Plaque for CMARC, 1998



Don and George Race at Special Event for our 50th ARRL Anniversary



Don & Jean at Field Day, 2009. He came every year and spent time with the Field Day Team...



A great VE who served for years in Lnasing



An inpromptu birth-day celebration for CMARC's Grand OM, 2008



Just one of the guys....



# Bits N Bytes...Second Look

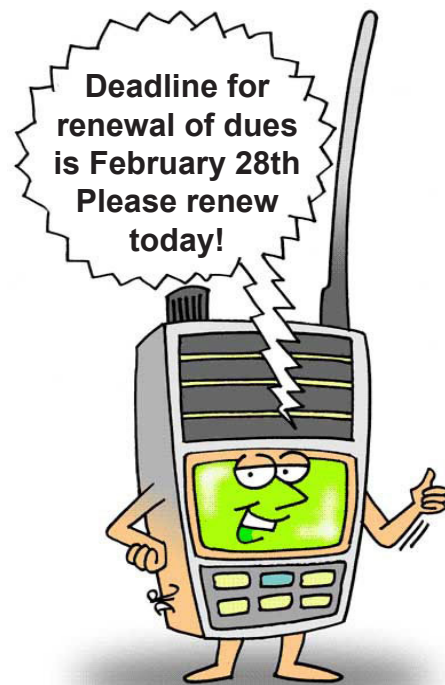
## CMARC Life Membership Extension Running Out

Time is running out for the *extended* Life Membership opportunity at the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club. As you know, we have offered, for a limited time, the chance to accelerate your membership, based on age and years with the Club and get a Life Membership.

*Sample: Bob is going to 45 years of age this year and the age requirement is 65, plus 10 years. If Bob wants the Life option, he pays \$200, which covers both requirements. Fred is 58 and has been a member for 5 years. He would pay \$120, which would cover the 7 year differential, as well as 5 year membership differential.*

If you have any questions about getting this before the April 30, 2010 deadline, contact Erv at [w8erv@acd.net](mailto:w8erv@acd.net) and he can help you get it taken care of. Once that is handled, simply send in your application (note it for Life Membership), add your letter of request and the Board will get it approved and deliver your Certificate and card.

Don't let time run out on you....



## CMARC Wants YOU!

The Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club is poised to do some great things in the year 2010, but we can't do it without your support and assistance. Right now, we have need of volunteers for three areas and, while we have some people in place, we need more help.

Building Maintenance Coordinator, Dan Beuchert (KD8MOJ) needs help with setup and cleanup at each month's CMARC meeting. If we get enough volunteers, we will only need two people per month. You can email Dan at [ruskirebel@hotmail.com](mailto:ruskirebel@hotmail.com).

SATERN Cadre Leader, Clint Hannahs (KC8EHR) needs members to get involved with the SATERN program. You can get more information at <http://satern.org> and you can also request membership at that site, as well. You may also email Clint at [kc8ehr@netzero.net](mailto:kc8ehr@netzero.net).

Finally, we are in need of a coordinator for the tower deconstruction at the Red Cross in the spring, as well as the construction, here at the Salvation Army. We have volunteers for the job, we just need someone to organize the effort. If you are interested, please contact our Salvation Army Liaison, Erv (W8ERV) at 517-908-6739, or email him at [w8erv@acd.net](mailto:w8erv@acd.net). Thank you in advance for your help!

# Local & Special Interest News

## CMARC Treasurer's Report

Primary Share Acct. (Humphries Fund)	\$ 54.95
Business Checking	\$ 993.46
NuUnion Certificate of Deposit (3/10/09)	\$1012.08

Net Worth as of 12/31/09	\$2060.49
Youth Fund Balance* (as of 12/31/09)	\$ 179.00

*\*separate from CMARC Funds*

Submitted,  
Jerry Waite, KD8GLN  
CMARC Treasurer

## CMARC Treasurer's Report

Primary Share Acct. (Humphries Fund)	\$ 54.95
Business Checking	\$1971.86
NuUnion Certificate of Deposit (3/10/09)	\$1014.19

Net Worth as of 01/31/10	\$3041.00
Youth Fund Balance* (as of 01/31/10)	\$ 179.00

*\*separate from CMARC Funds*

Submitted,  
Jerry Waite, KD8GLN  
CMARC Treasurer



## Donations Sought for CMARC Club Station at Salvation Army Building

During our inaugural meeting at the NEW Home of the Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club, it was discussed and decided that we would solicit donations to fund our new Club Station equipment at the Salvation Army. If you wish to donate any amount, please get in touch with Jerry (KD8GLN), either at a meeting, or you can call him at (517) 882-5406. You can also email him at [jerry48911@yahoo.com](mailto:jerry48911@yahoo.com).

We are considering a plaque naming the donors, but most have said they just want to donate. We thank you for your kindness and we're excited about the future of this club. Please consider donating to this worthwhile endeavor. Along with radio gear, we will have a projector, antenna equipment and coax to buy.

Our goal is \$3000. Full details coming next month in the Scope. Thank you.

## 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!*

**Weekdays 7am - Breakfast Club.** Join Don (KB8RAD) for a daily wakeup net on the 145.390 repeater, as you travel to work (or from).

**Weekdays 5pm - Drive at 5 Net.** Join Chris (KD8MJJ) for a daily afternoon drive net on the 145.390 repeater, as you travel back home from a hard day's work.

**Sunday 7:00pm - Central Michigan Slow scan Net.** Join Carl (K8YHH) on the 145.390 for lots of fun!

**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.

**Wednesday 8:00pm - Central Michigan Information Net.** Join Don (KB8RAD) for this weekly gathering on the 145.390 repeater. All are welcome to attend.

**Thursday 8:00pm - 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 are welcome, but must have Control Operator present at checkin time.*

**Welcome to CMARC...**  
***We don't have strangers here, just friends we haven't met yet. Come join us soon!***



# VE Testing & Special Announcements

## Lansing V.E. Testing Session #1

Lansing Police Dept., South Precinct,  
3400 S. Cedar St., Lansing Downstairs, Sm. Conf. Room

Pre-registration starts at 11:00am and testing starts at 11:30am for the following  
date: **Saturday, March 13, 2010**

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

### The 2010 CMARC & LCDRA Boards

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

#### Our CMARC Officers:

President: Sharon Waite-KD8HHK	ph: (517) 882-5406
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*Meetings: 2nd. Friday of every month at the Salvation Army-Capital Area, 701 W. Jolly Road, Lansing at 7:30pm. Board Meeting begins at 7:00pm.*  
Club Calls: W8MAA & W8PLP

**Deadline for articles: 20th. of month.**

### The 2010 LCDRA Board

#### Our LCDRA Officers:

Pres: Daniel Harger-W8BCI	ph: (517) 882-8784
Vice Pres: Don Tillitson-WB8NUS	ph: (517) 321-2004
Secretary: John Imeson-N8JI	ph: (517) 663-1358
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Director: Donald McLain-KB8RAD	ph: (517) 694-0812
Director: Jim Harvey-KA8DDQ	ph: (517) 882-5796
Treasurer/Memb. Chair-Jeff Oberg-KB8SXX	ph: (517) 712-1302
Repeater Trustee: Dennis Boone-KB8ZQZ	email: <a href="mailto:drb@msu.edu">drb@msu.edu</a>
LCDRA Call: WB8CQM	

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.

### Eaton Co. ARC

**Saturday February 13th - 12pm**

Eaton Co Sheriff Dept-EOC,  
1025 Independence Blvd.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

Contact: John A. Dewey (NY8Q)  
phone: (517) 645-2378

### Shiawassee ARC

**Tuesday, March 22nd - 6:30pm**

American Red Cross,  
712 Corunna Avenue  
Corunna, MI 48817

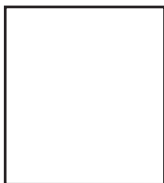
Contact: Thomas Carpenter (KI8AS)  
phone: (517) 579-0599

### Lansing VE Session #2

**Tuesday April 6th - 6:30pm**

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



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# *THE SCOPE*

*Lansing Civil Defense Repeater Association*



January/February 2010

Joining

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Name Callsign

Address City State

ZIP Phone Lic. Class

ARRL Mem.? Birthday Wedding Anniversary

Year 1st Licensed Email address

CMARC Full Membership \$15 per calendar year (must be a licensed Amateur to obtain Full Membership) Associate Membership \$5 per calendar year

**Mail Your Check or Money Order To:**  
**John Ingraham-NG8L, CMARC Membership Chairman**  
**2807 Greenbriar Ave., Lansing, MI 48912**  
(Checks made payable to CMARC, please)

LCDRA Membership is \$15 per calendar year (add a Family member for only \$7.50 per person, per year)

**Mail Your Check or Money Order To:**  
**Lansing Civil Defense Repeater Association**  
**P.O. Box 26281, Lansing, MI 48909-6281**