

## The Zero Beat – more or less

As you have already noticed a new editor for the zero beat has not stepped forward. The club still needs an editor for the club paper, if you have the talent; all of the Hazel Park club members would thank you for your efforts. As announced the December Christmas party will be held on December 21, 2005. Admission is gained by bringing a blank envelope with cash or check enclosed. The funds will go to the (make checks to) **Grace Centers of Hope** this is a local charity that we chose to support this year. They will have a representative at the party to receive the donations and give the club information on how the money will be used. Some interesting facts about our club -- we have 162 members of which, 1 is a novice, 35 are technicians (22%); 8 are technician + (5%); 42 are general (26%); 6 are advanced (6%) and 69 are extra (43%). These numbers compiled by Jim K8ABZ. The work to put on the Christmas (Hanukkah) party this year is being done again by Ralph K8CAR remember to thank him for the fine job. Remember January is SWAP month and everyone is expected to give a hand -- This is our only fund raiser so pitch in.

Phil AA8KR

The minutes as recorded by Dee N8UZE:

The meeting was called to order at 7:38pm on November 9, 2005 by president Phil Ode, AA8KR.

The new incorporation papers for HPARC have been received. The minutes of the last meeting were published in the Zero Beat. However the Zero Beat was sent out on the 9th and members had not had the opportunity to read them so they were not voted on. N8MQU gave the treasurer's report, which was accepted as read. This month's presentation was Joel Coleman, NO5FD. Joel evacuated from New Orleans and discussed some of the issues with the hurricane. The Christmas party will be December 21st as it had to be deferred due to scheduling conflicts with the school. This year's dinner donations will be for the Grace Center of Hope. This year the club is donating to a local organization rather than a national one. The L'Anse Cruese Swap is December 4th. There were reminders and flyers for this and other swaps. A request was made for members to help with our swap if asked. A new editor is needed for the newsletter. Contact Phil if interested. Mike, WD8S, reminded everyone of the upcoming voice portion of the November Sweeps. Results should be sent to Jeff, N8WR. John, K8UP, thanked all siren volunteers for the year and asked people to participate again next year. Anyone interested in a General license class should let Phil, AA8KR, know. Those interested in an Extra class should contact John, K8UP. Phil, AA8KR, also reminded people that the Sunday night net is a good place to get club news and info and encouraged people to check in. Jeff, N8WR, reminded people that there is a VE session in Oak Park the 1st Tuesday of December and that they hold tests every other month. Phil, N8UUS, will send in the jacket order as soon as one more person orders one. The membership prize was won by N8UUS.

Bill McCue has some items for sale and he requested that they be put in the Zero Beat he can be reached at 248.762.0939. items I have to sell. Icom 706 MKIIG, New in box \$750; Icom V8000, New in box \$175; LDG RT 11 Automatic remote antenna tuner, New in box \$135; Diamond K9000 LRM Motor Drive Mount and Diamond C213 NMO Teflon Coax connector, Both new in boxes for \$90 RIGrunner 4008 complete, New in box \$60 MFJ 886 Frequency Counter 1 MHz to 3 GHz, New in box \$75 MFJ 461 Pocket Size Morse Code Reader New in box \$45 Iron Horse IHF-5S HF Mobile Antenna Kit 250 Watt rated, 10, 15, 20, 40, 75 Meter sticks, New \$55

Paul AA8OZ also has some items to sell see him at the meeting.

Nl Meissner has a 40 foot tower for free contact at [Nlmeissner@aol.com](mailto:Nlmeissner@aol.com)

Hopefully we will do better next month with a real editor