

The Zero Beat

THIS MEETING

May 14, 2008
7:30 P.M.
(socializing begins at 7)
Hoover Elementary
23720 Hoover Ave.
Hazel Park 48030

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Elections will be held at our regular meeting on May 14th. Please attend so you can choose who you want to run your club. Here are the nominees for the club officers as of the April meeting. To get your name or someone else on the nominee list, get in touch with Carl, N8AE or Kevin KD8AMQ to get your candidates listed.

President—Murray, KE8UM Bill, N8QVS
1st Vice President—Jim, K8ABZ
2nd Vice President —Sean, K8KHZ Dave, K8TRF *
Treasurer—John, K8UP Dave, K8TRF *
Director —Rich, KC8WPW Gary, K8IKW
Secretary—Jerry, W9NPI
Parliamentarian—No nominees

[see profiles beginning on page 3]

Definitions of the Duties of each office

President:

The president shall preside at all meetings of this organization and conduct the meetings according to the rules adopted. He/she shall enforce these rules and decide all questions of order. He/she and none other shall sign all official documents that are adopted by this organization.

First Vice President:

The First Vice President shall assume all the duties of the Office of President in the absence of the elected. In addition, he/she shall preside over internal club business, treasurer's report, minutes and committee reports during monthly meetings.

He/she shall assume the responsibilities of general membership including submission of applications for membership, maintaining a current membership roster, members' status (using a data-base such as MS Access) and maintain records of attendance.

Second Vice President:

The Second Vice President shall assume all the duties of the Office of President in the absence of the President and First Vice President. Other duties include organizing the club's monthly programs, speakers, training, public relations and all other outside projects.

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OFFICERS &
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NETS

Oakland County Amateur Radio Public Service Corp (ARPSC)

Every Thursday @ 8 pm on 146.900 MHz/100pl. Hospital Radio Net on last Thursday of each month during the net. (W8OAK-3 will run packet on 147.56 MHz for those wanting to practice and test their equipment) www.qsl.net/w8oak

Sunday Night 2-meter Phone Net

Every Sunday at 9:00 PM local time, (146.64 (-), catch up on club news and information, and just to keep in touch. All amateurs are welcome to check in.

NTS Traffic Nets

the Southeast Michigan National Traffic System (NTS) net Normally held every night at 10:15 PM local time on 145.33. Net manager is Diane, W18K.

Rocking Chair Net

You don't have to be confined to a rocking chair to check in! A friendly group meets on 145.630 MHz simplex (FM phone) at 8:00 PM local time, weekdays + some Saturdays. Net control is usually Bill, N8QVS, or Bill, KB8NIH, both of whom are located in Royal Oak.

Wolverine Net

The 75 Meter Wolverine Net meets on 3935 KHz (LSB phone) daily at 7:00 PM local time with pre-net starting at about 6:30 PM. The nets start a half hour earlier in winter. You can get details from Joe, K8JRE joecuchetti@comcast.net or Ed, W8EDE ed@ellisgen.com.

HPARC medium speed CW net

Every Tuesday night at 8:00 PM on 28.128 MHz. Al, N8WYO, runs the net and will match your speed. This is a net for folks who have mastered the 5 wpm, and want to move up to faster speeds, or if you're a little rusty.

Al calls CQHP at 8 PM sharp!

ELECTIONS...

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Treasurer:

The treasurer shall receive and record all monies paid to the organization. He/she shall keep accurate records of all financial transactions. He/she shall not instigate any expenditure without proper authorization. At each monthly meeting he/she shall submit an itemized report of all monies in and out. The Treasurer will also keep a file of annual budgets and monthly statements.

Secretary:

The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, including board meetings. He/she may carry on all correspondence and report such at monthly meetings.

He/she shall keep a hard copy file of not only the monthly club and board meetings, also all important organization documents.

Parliamentarian:

The Parliamentarian shall bring to order all club and board meetings. The Parliamentarian maintains order and governs all meetings according to Roberts Rule of Order.

Director:

The Director shall oversee and run the club raffle. The Director shall maintain in file, a hard copy of the organization's equipment inventory.

All board members must make every effort to attend all board, monthly and general membership meetings.

Jim Poehlman, K8ABZ
1st Vice President
Hazel Park ARC Inc.

N O M I N E E P R O F I L E S

The nominees were all asked to provide profiles and here are the ones provided:

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Profiles were provided by all candidates except John K8UP and Jim K8ABZ.

Jerry Begel W9NPI (Secretary)

I am Jerry Begel. Current call: W9NPI; was K8DJQ, W9KRG, WOMKL, W1FQZ. Retired from the US Postal Service, where I had worked as an Electronic Technician. Have had teaching experience in Public Schools, Adult Education, and corporate Training & Development departments (Zurich Insurance Company, Insurance School of Chicago, US Postal Service.) In my 3rd year of membership with HPARC, I thought that I could begin to “give back” for the pleasure that my membership has given me.

My goals for HPARC are:

- a. Provide an accurate record of the proceedings of our general club and board meetings.
- b. Keep archives (electronic and hard copy) of minutes and other club documents.
- c. Attend board meetings; consult with other officers on club business; work for the best interests of the club.

Past and current activities in ham radio and positions in other clubs:

- a. Team Leader, Providence (Southfield) ARHEC/ARPSC Hospital Network, responsible for scheduling 6 operators for network testing and emergency service.
- b. Long experience in “Elmer-ing.” Ran Adult Ed. Novice classes in Illinois that licensed over 30 students.
- c. Program director for Northwest Amateur Radio Assn. (IL), secretary for Detroit Amateur Radio Assn.
- d. Was active in CW traffic nets, as QMN, H&B, 8RN, ILN, 9RN, TEN, 1RN, EAN.
- e. Past participation in Army MARS and RACES

In Conclusion , I am organized, perceptive, constructive,

and willing. Plus...I can spell! I would like to be your Secretary!

Rich Urbano KC8WPW (Director)

My current position is Director and I am running for the same office. I have been a licensed amateur radio operator since May 2003 and became an Extra Class in 2006. I enjoy talking to whomever I can on SSB as well as special events and DX.

My certificates include the IS100, 200, 700, 800, ARRL EC001 Emergency Communications and RACES card.

I am a volunteer emergency radio operator for the city of Sterling Heights and helped some of the CERT group become Technician class operators.

I am one of the HPARC instructors for the Technician license and have helped teach 3 Tech classes.

It is very important that we keep amateur radio alive and help our communities with our communication skills.

GARY SKLAR K8IKW (Director)

I am Gary Sklar K8ikw and hold Extra Class License. I have been licensed now 50 years in Detroit area. I am involved actively in ARRL and County Emergency Management functions and hold office in Oakland County as Specialty Officer for Public Services, responsible for publicity for upcoming local amateur events in the area and notice to area clubs. I am also ARRL Public Information Officer for the HPARC club and am member of the Milford ARC.

I have been member of HPARC for about 20 years and want to work with the club Board to carry on the good work we have been doing for public events and club functions like Field Day. I want to work to get more younger hams involved in our club and believe we can make our club and meetings interesting and informative to high school or young college age amateurs again if we are creative in providing what may appeal to younger generation hams like internet and digital communications possibilities. I have been Field Day co-chairman and worked for many years on Field Day and local Charity walks as radio volunteer in communications positions.

I think that I bring a wealth of experience and genuine enthusiasm to this position sought as Director of the club

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and apply my knowledge of radio and dealing with the public for over 40 years as former attorney and real estate title agent. I seek your support in this election.

Thank you 73 Gary

Sean Fleming K8KHZ (2nd VP)

I am Sean Fleming K8KHZ. I would like your vote for 2nd Vice-President of the Hazel Park Radio Club. I joined the Hazel Park Radio Club around 2001. Since that time I have had many jobs to include the following:

Swap Chairman 2007, 2006, 2005

Field Day Chair 2004

Secretary 2007 (fill in Secretary 2006)

WAS/VUCC awards manager

Website manager 2008, 2007

Amateur of the Year 2007

My goals are to promote the club and maintain interesting meeting content. As Director of SEMDXA my duties were to provide speakers for the meetings. I brought forth many interesting speakers from across the country to put on presentations on DXing and other amateur radio materials. With my background and experience I believe I would be able to bring great content to the club meetings.

For those who do not know the rest of what I do in the amateur radio realm, here are other organizations I am involved with:

Special Officer of the OCAPSC

President of SEMDXA, past Director for SEMDXA

Past Contest Chairman for MIDXA

Owner of Amateur Radio Mobile Radio Yahoo! Group

Take care of badges for Mad River Radio Club and SEMDXA

Just completed a large order of shirts for MRRC

Appointed by Michigan Section as an Official Relay Station for NTS.

I am a Diamond Club Member of the ARRL.

I look forward to your vote in the upcoming election.

Vy 73, Sean Fleming K8KHZ

Dave Benham K8TRF (2nd VP & Treasurer)

Dave recently retired from Chrysler as Rear Wheel Drive Product Team Supplier Quality. He graduated from

MSU with a Masters Degree. He is a QRP enthusiast and HPARC Member for over 25 years. He co-authored two AIAG (Automotive Industry Action Group) books on statistical process control and measurement systems analysis used by every first tier automotive supplier in the world.

Past HPARC treasurer – 3 terms, mid 1990's. For the first time, standardized and organized all expenditures and income into operationally defined categories within Quicken and Excel so that anyone could perform treasurer duties in the future. For the first time, budgets were based on actual history and future needs. Could not run again due to work travel pressures.

HPARC Goals:

Interesting, educational meetings

Limit rehash of Zero Beat in meetings

Handbook of job definition, responsibilities, hints for every office in club (especially duties like Field Day, the Swap, banquets) to make it easy for ANYONE (particularly newcomers) to run for ANY office.

Member of:

Alaska QRP Club

Izaak Walton Portable Radio Operating Club – which combines fishing and portable radio operating fun.

McMath-Hulbert Astronomical Society board member – site of DART north receiver.

University Lowbrows Astronomers (Ann Arbor)

Society of Automotive Engineers

American Society for Quality; Certified Quality Engineer;

Certified Reliability Engineer

Other Hobbies/Interests:

Stringed musical instruments

Country blues guitar

Fishing

Astronomy

Murray Scott, KE8UM (President)

I look forward to being your elected President. I hold both Amateur Extra and Commercial radio licenses.

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NOMINEE PROFILES (CONT.)

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I hold life memberships with the ARRL, AMSAT and QCWA. I am active in Oakland County ARPSC and RACES. I enjoy contesting and chasing DX. I have enjoyed building and maintaining the DART/HPARC repeater system and served on the DART board for many years. I have also served on the Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors as both First and Second Vice President.

I have experience in commercial electronics, electrical and radio communications. I recently retired from Ford Motor Company as a supervisor. I have BS degree in the engineering field. I am past president of the Ford Amateur Radio League (club) and of my High School Radio club. I have been an active Ham since first licensed in 1961. I have been the Oakland County RACES Radio Officer. I am presently an ARRL Assistant Director and ran for the Office of Director a few years ago. I am an active volunteer examiner.

I would like our club to be the best and biggest in the area. I look forward to the club being back on a good financial footing. I welcome input and help from all members. We need to work as a team and make the Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club the club all local Amateurs want to be a part of. No matter what the outcome of the election all I want is what is best for the club.

Bill Ketel N8QVS (President)

William Ketel, currently parliamentarian for the HPARC, also net manager for the Sunday night net for quite a few years, a member of the "Elmers group" while it was listed, and also the Field Day cook and meals provider for quite a few years. Aside from that, I have always tried to make the DART repeater "the friendliest repeater in town" for quite a few years. In addition I have been glad to offer technical assistance and answer technical questions from club members on many occasions.

My goal for the Hazel Park club is to be a club that makes individuals with interests in different parts of amateur radio all welcome. I believe that there is room for all the good areas of ham radio in our club. I respect the ideas of other hams and agree that there is room for all of us in the club, even if I find no personal interest in some aspect.

Presently my ham activities are limited to VHF, because of my other responsibilities. I hope to change that in the future, but other obligations come first. I did upgrade from tech to extra, but have not yet used many of the extra privileges.

I would probably be a good president, because I do not accept any task that I am not willing to do a good job on. In addition I am able to talk to strangers and anyone else, and I am at ease talking to anyone. But I will promise to keep my talking at meetings short and to the point. Plus, I will always speak up so that people can hear me. And beyond all of that, I am fairly patient and I try to be polite to most people most of the time. Remember that in my long tenure as sergeant-at-arms, which is the other responsibility of the parliamentarian, I have never flattened anybody. And I always use the spell-check when I write something.

PRESIDENT QRM

Another year is coming to a close. I hope that everyone has had a rewarding year of membership in the Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club, as well as giving something back to our communities through the varied service opportunities we encounter as Amateurs. Speaking of this, don't forget that The Oak Apple Run is the first Saturday in June (the 7th). HPARC is the only club associated with this run, and the event proceeds all go toward scholarships for cadets to take formal training to become firefighters. Contact Mike, WD8S, to volunteer for this event.

Additionally, the American Diabetes Association's 2008 Tour de Cure bike ride will take place the following weekend, on Sunday, June 15. We will be needing a number of volunteers to man rest stops as well as to operate mobile in SAG vehicles. We have been working with ADA for a number of years on this event, and they appreciate all the help we can offer to make this 70-mile bike ride a success. As always, it will take place at Island Lake State Recreation Area in Brighton (Exit 151 on I-96). For details, please contact me to sign up.

This month means Officer Elections for the HPARC Board of Directors. Thanks to Carl and Kevin for working

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MINUTES

QRM...

Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club Meeting
March 9th 2008 @ 1930PM EST
All Board Members are Present

- Member introductions
Minutes for march accepted
Treasures report accepted

Announcements

- 1. Steve N8FH Dayton Rooms will not be accepted after tonight's meeting. The space for Dayton has been paid for and accepted.
2. Jim K8ABZ- Sent the Roster in the mail did everyone get the roster.
3. Bill N8QVS- Sunday night net. Need Net control ops with 2 meter mobile. Field Day food will be good.
4. John K8UP- Field Day site will be Hazelwood properties again. Members voted to give \$300.00 for payment.
5. Extra Class will start April on Tuesdays from 7-9pm at Southfield Parks and recreation.
6. KE8UM Murray-The east side repeater is up and running. The site could use new Coax and a new antenna.
7. Nomination Committee if you want to nominate anyone contact Kevin KD8AMQ or Carl N8AE.
8. N8WR motioned for \$5 increase of Dues from \$15.00 to \$20.00. The motion was passed.
9. Gary K8IKW- Skywarn test 1st sat of the month.
10. Bill W8WRB - Hospital Net nothing new.
11. Paul AA8OZ- made 44 contacts with the Boy Scouts on 40M there were 3 scouts.
12. Dee N8UZE- Test Session e-mail Dee if you are a VE or wish to become one.
13. KC8WWE PETE is recuperating from a fall and is in rehab now.
14. New Member Joe KJ80
15. Marsha N8FE announced that the Banquet will be at DeCarlos. Cash Bar June 11th (2nd Wednesday) @ 7PM Tickets are \$17 a person.
16. Raffle and close of meeting.

Respectfully submitted
Sean K8KHZ
Secretary

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as a Nominating Committee. So far, we have a candidate for almost every position. Note that no position is closed from members wishing to run for it. If you think you could do a good job as a club officer, now is the time to throw your hat into the ring. We will install the new officers at the June Banquet.

Don't forget that ARRL leadership positions are also available in the Great Lakes Division. If you would like to be of service to the Amateur community on a greater level than simply within a single club, this is where you can apply your talents and efforts. We have had great representation from our elected officials in this Division over the years. You could be part of a long line of successful leaders within the League.

Finally, I would like to say a sincere thank you to my fellow members of the HPARC Board. You have all been good friends and a joy to work with over the past few years. I know that the club will be in good hands as we move into the future with new leadership. Thanks also to the many volunteers who chair events or monthly jobs. You all are the people who make the club keep moving forward. And you have all earned all of our thanks.

I look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday, May 14 at Hoover Elementary. Pre-meeting gathering begins at 7, and the meeting starts at 7:30. Until then...

Jeff, N8WR

Decorative box containing text: Introducing Old Friend and New Member Joe KJ80

SKIMMER

Everyone is debating about a new program by the makers of DXAtlas. CW Skimmer is a "multi-channel CW decoder and analyzer." Think of it as your PSK waterfall screen for CW. It's not the first CW decoder out there on the market; WriteLog has had a CW decoder for as long as I remember having the program, pulling out callsigns from the ether through your receiver's pass band. Find out more about it at <http://www.dxatlas.com/CwSkimmer/>

Detractors lament the lack of skill needed in this endeavor for copying CW, but I don't agree with that position. The mind is a great filter and I've done enough RTTY contesting — where the machine decodes everything — to know that what is copied by a machine isn't necessarily the right thing copied by a machine. The operator still counts.

Yes, it could make CW different, just like calculators made doing long division different.

I think this sort of stuff is great for the hobby — it shows that we continue to embrace technology for communicating through radio waves. It will be interesting to see where this program takes the hobby.

I know I, for one, certainly don't miss paper logs and dupe sheets... Scot, K9JY

US ENTITIES

According to the DXCC list there are somewhere between 3 and 19 US DXCC "entities," depending on how you define "USA."

Three, if you consider only the 50 states:

- K,W,N,AA-AK United States of America, KL7 Alaska, and KH6-7 Hawaii.
- Fifteen more if you consider territories, possessions, and commonwealths: KH0 Mariana Islands, KH1 Baker, Howland Islands, KH2 Guam, KH3 Johnston Island, KH4 Midway Island, KH5 Palmyra, Jarvis Islands, KH5/K Kingman Reef, KH7K Kure Island, KH8 American Samoa, KH8 Swains Island, KH9 Wake Island, KP1 Navassa Island, KP2 U.S. Virgin Islands, KP3,4 Puerto Rico, KP5 Desecheo Island, and then of course there's this one,
- under U.S. control, but energetically debated over whether it's a "jurisdiction" of the United States: KG4 Guantanamo Bay

CONTEST CORNER

Welcome to Contest Corner. May — June line-up are as follows:

May 2008

- 10 [Nevada Mustang Roundup \(NEQP\) - CW/SSB/RTTY](#)
- 10-11 [Mid-Atlantic QSO Party - CW/Digi/Phone](#)
- 17-18 EU PSK DX Contest - PSK31
- 17-18 H. M. The King of Spain Contest - CW
- 17-18 Baltic Contest - CW/SSB
- 24-25 [CQ WW WPX Contest - CW](#)
- 30 Digital Pentathlon (1) - PSK
- 31 UBA-OSA WLC-contest - SSB
- 31-1 [Kids Roundup - Phone](#)

June 2008

- 5 10 meter NAC - CW/SSB/FM/Digi
- 7-8 Open Season Ten Meter PSK Contest - BPSK31
- 7-8 [IARU Region 1 Field day - CW](#)
- 7-8 [Alabama QSO Party - CW/Phone](#)
- 14 Portugal Day Contest - SSB
- 14-15 GACW WWSA CW DX Contest - CW
- 14-15 [West Virginia QSO Party - CW/SSB](#)
- 14 [Kid's Day - SSB](#)
- 16 SARL Youth for Amateur Radio - Phone
- 21-22 SMIRK Contest - CW/Phone
- 21 SCAG Straight Key Day (SKD) - CW
- 25 BCC QSO Party - CW/SSB
- 28-29 [ARRL Field Day - All](#)

Ohio State Parks contest

Here is an interesting, new contest. The Portage County (OH) ARS is sponsoring the very first Ohio State Park on the Air Contest. The contest will be Saturday, September 6, 2008 from noon to 8 p.m. EDT (1600Z to 2400Z). The contest is open to all amateurs from their base, portable or mobile stations and from inside or outside an Ohio State Park.

This contest presents an opportunity to visit and enjoy Ohio's parks. Information on them and their features is available at

<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/default/tabid/80/Default.aspx>

Full information on the contest is available at <http://parks.portcars.org> or from the contest chairman, Chuck, K8CMP, at k8cmp@portcars.org.

HAMVENTION FUN!

May 14 thru 17 - Wednesday thru Saturday—7 pm to 2 am - Contest Super Suite at the Crowne Plaza - hosted by The Mad River Radio Club (MRRC), Frankford Radio Club (FRC) and North Coast Contesters (NCC) with a 11pm Pizza Party sponsored by: Wednesday-Contest University, Thursday- K8CC and K3LR, Friday at 11:30 pm pizza party sponsored by the Potomac Valley Radio Club (PVRC). . <http://contestsupersuite.com>

May 15 - Thursday all day - Contest University
At the Crowne Plaza. <http://www.contestuniversity.com>

May 16 - Friday - 1 pm -1:30 pm
K3LR speaks at the Icom booth at HARA Arena

May 16 - Friday - Antenna Forum at HARA Arena
Room #1 2:30 p.m. - 5:00 pm.
Moderator: Tim Duffy, K3LR
"Real World Antenna Patterns vs. Theoretical Computer Antenna Plots" Mike Wetzels, W9RE and Tom Chance, K9XV
"A New Approach for Measuring Complex Antenna Currents in a Vertical Array" Greg Ordy, W8WWV
"Multi-element Low Band Vertical Arrays - Approaches for Small Lots" Dr. Ted Rappaport, N9NB and Ray Sokola, K9RS

May 17 - Saturday - Contest Forum at HARA Arena
Room #1 11:45 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.
Moderator: Doug Grant, K1DG
Speakers:
"Passing the NCJ torch" Carl Luetzelschwab, K9LA, and Alan Dewey, K0AD
"When giants walked the bands - the early days of multi-multi" Doug Zwiebel, KR2Q
"SDR and Contesting—The Future is Now" Pete Smith, N4ZR
"Contesting with 28 Miles of Feed Line" John Battin, K9DX
"The Great 2008 Contest Technology Debate" Barry Merrill, W5GN, and Bob Naumann, W5OV
"Beam Forming on 160 Meters" Victor Kean, K1LT

May 17 - Saturday evening - 7 pm - 16th Annual Dayton Contest Dinner hosted by North Coast Contesters at the Crowne Plaza. Space is limited. Details and tickets are available at <http://www.contestdinner.com>

Thursday Night at Hooter's

May 15 Thursday evening 6:30pm.
6851 Miller Lane
Dayton, OH 45414
937-890-0467
Map— <http://tinyurl.com/3rgkpl>

Seeing as how the Centerville Hooters has closed up shop, we have to change locations this year. There is a Hooters on the north side that's closer to downtown Dayton... but they don't have a "garage".... they have something called a "cage." I'm told that it can hold around 50 people... so we may have to spill over into the main floor.

There will be another prize for the person who dresses up in the most colorful, clashing, oversized or undersized, suit & tie. Last year's winner was K9GX... with a few coming in a close 2nd. And being that there is no Goodwill store close by this Hooters... you'll need to stop by your own local Goodwill store.... or shop online... for your bright tangerine sport coat & brown spotted tie to go along with your Hawaiian shirt. In addition to the prize, the winner will walk away with the coveted Pink Jacket... which will be awarded to the winner each year from now on.... thanks K9GX for donating the beautiful jacket.

To see some pix from the Hooters party last year, go here....
<http://picasaweb.google.com/PaulK9PG/Dayton2007> the first 30 or so pix are from the party.

I'm not sure if we'll be getting wings this year or not... new QTH, new management, new rules.... I was supposed to get a call back last week and never did... but I have a feeling we'll get some... just a question of how many.

no need to RSVP... just show up.

Paul K9PG

OAK APPLE RUN

The Oak Apple Run will be held on May 31 and the Big race will be the early run as it was last year. Times to be announced. The pre-race meeting will be held on Wednesday May 28th at the First Methodist Church of Royal Oak, Seventh and Washington.

The meeting is for setting up corners and to give out assignments. Pizza will be served and the meeting will begin at 6:30 pm. I will email last year's helper and will have a sign-up sheet at the next HPARC meeting.

I need to hear from everyone whom intends to help via phone or email. I need to fill about 30 spaces and in the past that has been no problem.

Thanks. Any question feel free to ask.

Mike WD8S
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wd8s@arrl.net

JUDGE GETS MSG

Judge Hardy learns about Amateur Radio

WD9T has placed a video clip on CQtube.com from the 1939 film/movie titled 'Love finds Andy Hardy'. Within the film, Andy Hardy starring Mickey Rooney uses a local Ham Operator to send an urgent message to Canada.

http://www.southgatearc.org/news/april2008/andy_hardy.htm

CW PILE UP TEST

THE TRADITION CONTINUES!

The Kansas City DX Club is sponsoring its annual CW Pile Up Contest on Sat. night of the Dayton Hamvention weekend. Our Hospitality Suite is Room 525, at the Crowne Plaza, as it has been for the last 25+ years! The Test will begin at 7 PM until Midnight! An Icom IC-7000 is the top prize again this year! Only the best need apply!

Good luck! Alex, KU1CW

[ED: if you want to practice, download Morse Runner at <http://www.dxatlas.com/MorseRunner/>]

AFD TEST

Annual Armed Forces Day Crossband Test Scheduled for May

The Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are co-sponsoring the annual Military/Amateur Radio Crossband Communications Test in celebration of the 58th anniversary of Armed Forces Day (AFD). Although the actual Armed Forces Day is celebrated on the third Saturday in May – May 17 in 2008 – the AFD Military/Amateur Crossband Communications Test will be conducted on May 10 to prevent conflict with the [Dayton Hamvention@](#) scheduled for May 16-18.

The annual celebration features traditional military to amateur Crossband communications SSB voice tests and copying the Secretary of Defense message via digital modes. These tests give Amateur Radio operators and short wave listeners an opportunity to demonstrate their individual technical skills and to receive recognition from the Secretary of Defense and/or the appropriate military radio station for their proven expertise. QSL cards will be provided to those stations making contact with the military stations. Special commemorative certificates will be awarded to anyone who receives and copies the digital Armed Forces Day message from the Secretary of Defense.

Military-to-Amateur Crossband operations will take place on the dates and time in UTC on the frequencies listed for each station on the Army MARS Web site. Voice contacts will include operations in single sideband voice (SSB). Some stations, depending on propagation and manning, may not operate the entire period. Participating military stations will transmit on selected Military MARS frequencies and listen for Amateur Radio stations in the Amateur bands. The military station operator will announce the specific amateur band frequency being monitored. Duration of each voice contact should be limited to 1-2 minutes.

Look for [schedules and frequencies of participating military stations](#) to be published in May on the Army MARS Web site.

[Source: ARRL website]

JUNE BANQUET

Spring is in the air and it's time for the June Banquet. Come enjoy an evening of Good Food, Camaraderie, and the Installation of Officers!

We have enjoyed De Carlos for a few years now and this year they have made it possible for us to include a CASH BAR. So come early and have a good time.

Date: June 11, 2008

Time: 7pm-10pm

Cost: \$ 17.00 per person

Place: De Carlos Banquet Center
6015 E. Ten Mile Rd. (east of Mound Rd.)
Warren MI 48091 (see map on last page)

Bill W8WRB will be selling tickets will be available at the HPARC May Meeting.

We have a deadline for the banquet hall, you can either mail \$17.00 to Marsha or drop it off at her house.

HPARC Banquet
C/O Marsha Fleming
24060 Rosewood ST.
Oak Park, MI 48237

Contact: Marsha N8FE 248-542-9573 or n8fe@arrl.net

Deadline for reservations is May 31, 2008, so I can have the payment to De Carlos in time for the deadline. We are required to pay for a minimum of 50 people. The room holds up to 75 people. Let's fill it to capacity!

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* **New Call Sign** *
* **Bill Wallace** *
* **AK8I** *
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DAYTON BREAKFAST

The Dayton Amateur Radio Forum(DARF) is holding their First annual Hamvention breakfast at

The Burkey Family Restaurant
670 Shiloh Springs Road

7 A.M. on Saturday, May 17,,2008.

The food is great, prices are fair, and the staff is friendly and efficient. The restaurant is located just east of Hara Arena and West of Main Street.(Rt.48). We will be on the WC80H, 145.11 repeater for directions to the restaurant.

You don't have to be a member of the Forum to join us for breakfast. All Amateurs are welcome. So come join us for the First annual Dayton Amateur Radio Forum (DARF) Hamvention breakfast! See you there!

73's,Jim Andrews,W8JWA w8jwa@arrl.net
Founder, Dayton Amateur Radio Forum
www.hamradioboard.proboards56.com

PETE UPDATE

I recently visited Pete KC8WWE. He is still at the nursing home and expects to be there another four to six weeks. The best time to visit is in the evenings and on the weekends. He will start walking in four weeks and must be able to climb stairs before he goes home.

Peter is currently at Abbey Mercy Living Center in Warren Room 19 at 12250 Twelve Mile Road, just east of Hoover .

73, Murray Scott, KE8UM

SIREN SCHEDULE

Siren tests are The **first Saturday of each** month at 1:00 PM starting in March continuing through November.

The HPARC subnet covers sirens located between 8 Mile to South Blvd and Dequindre to Inkster to the west.

We use the DART repeater on 146.640 [100 Hz PL]. To volunteer call John K8UP 248-542-9573 or email him at john@fleming-photo.com

AROUND TOWN . . .

18-20 May 2007 **Dayton Hamvention**

Dayton ARA

www.hamvention.org/

Location: Hara Arena

1001 Shiloh Springs Road, Dayton, OH

1 Jun 2008 **Chelsea Radio Swap**

Chelsea Amateur Radio Club

<http://www.wd8iel.net> Talk-In: 145.450 (PL 100)

Contact: Frank Pohs, KD8ABW frankpohs@hotmail.com

636 West Main Street, Manchester, MI 48158

Phone: 734-945-1915

Chelsea Fair Grounds

20501 Old US 12 Highway, Chelsea, MI

14 Jun 2008 **Midland Hamfest**

Midland Amateur Radio Club

<http://www.qsl.net/w8kea> Talk-In: 147.00 (PL 103.5)

Contact: Del Lafavor, WB8FYR

1200 West Curtis Road, Sanford, MI 48657-9308

Phone: 989-689-3477 Email: wb8fyr@arrl.net

Midland County Fairgrounds Gerstacker Building

6905 Eastman Avenue, Midland, MI

15 Jun 2008 **Monroe Hamfest**

Monroe County Radio Communications Association

<http://www.mcrca.org/hamfest.htm>

Talk-In: 146.72/12

Contact: Fred VanDaele, KA8EBI

4 Carl Drive, Monroe, MI 48162

Phone: 734-242-9487 Fax: 734-587-2250

Email: ka8ebi@yahoo.com

Monroe, MI Monroe County Fairgrounds

3775 South Custer Road

CHARITY WALKS**OAK APPLE RUNS**

Saturday May 31, 2008

7:30-10:30 a.m.,

Start Line — Main Street, Downtown Royal Oak

Events: 10K Race (7:30a.m.)

2 Mile Fun Run/Walk (9:30a.m.)

1/4 Mile Kids Run (10:30a.m.)

<http://www.oakapplerun.org/pages/OARHome.asp>

Chairman: Mike WD8S contact wd8s@comcast.net



Sunday, June 8, 2008

Brighton, MI

The bike-a-thon will be at Island Lake Recreation Area.

Riders have a choice of 7 routes: 70, 50, 25, 15, or 7 mile routes; or 14 or 8 mile Mountain Bike Trails.

Directions to the Event

From I-96, take exit 151 (Kensington Rd) and go south a half of a mile. The park entrance is located on the west side of Kensington Rd. south of Grand River. Follow the signs to the Kent Lake Beach Area.

Note: State Park parking fees: \$6

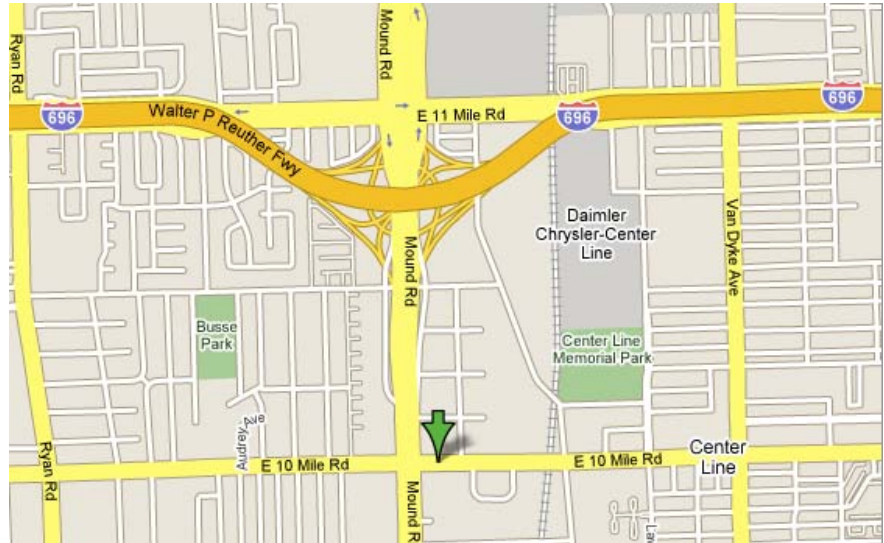
Chairman: contact Jeff N8WR at n8wr@arrl.net or call 248-642-3608

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2008 DATES
Banquet on
June 11, 2008
 June 27-28 Field Day
 August 13, 2008 Picnic

Banquet TIME
 7:00 P.M.—10 P.M.

PLACE
 De Carlos Banquet Center
 6015 E. Ten Mile Rd.
 Warren, MI



DeCarlos Banquet Center

We're on the Web
www.hparc.org



Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club
 P.O. Box 368
 Hazel Park, MI 48030



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