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The monthly newsletter of the Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association of Marquette, Michigan. Comments and suggestions can be sent to the club at P.O. Box1183, Marquette, Mi 49855 or to the editor at ki8af@arrl.net Club info, membership, dues, etc can be found on our website at www.qsl.net/k8lod

MONTHLY MEETING: Marquette County Health Department Bldg., Lower Level, Negaunee Township.

Date: October 4, 2012

Time: 7:00 PM *****

CLUB OFFICERS, 2011

Pres. Lou Gembolis KG8NK VP: Paul Racine KB0P Sec. Mike Beltz KD8JIR Tres. Peter Kotila KC8YTX Board Members: Past Pres. EC Rich Schwenke N8GBA Eric Pellinen N8TEV

STANDING WAVE

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REPEATERS

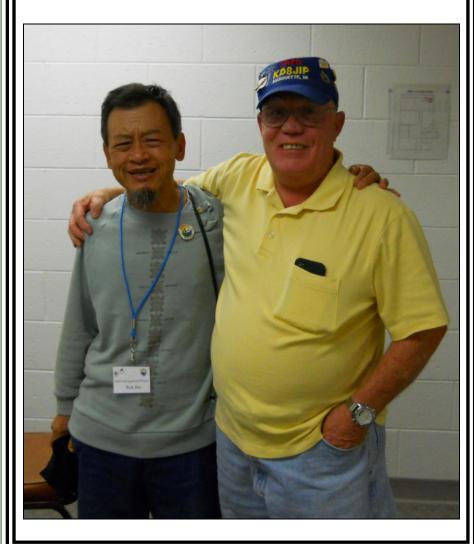
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WHAT'S NEXT FOR US

Christmas party on Thursday December 6th. Plans are underway so mark your calendar. You'll be hearing more soon.

Sister City Delegate Visits HARA Meeting

Yogi Ito, from Higashiomi Japan visited the Hiawatha Amateur Radio Assn meeting in September. While currently inactive he is a licensed amateur radio operator. His call sign is JA3JJZ. Pictured with Yoji is Fred KD8JIP. Fred along with his XYL Judy hosted Yoji while the delegation was visiting Marquette.



V.E. TESTING:

- 12/08 Marquette: 8:30am eastern time, (arrive by 8:00am) Marquette County Health Dept. Bldg, U.S. 41 just east of the Michigan State Police Post. You MUST preregister at least by the Tuesday evening preceding the Saturday test date. Contact Rich N8GBA at 249-3837, n8gba@att.net or Greg KI8AF 225-1594, ki8af@arrl.net.
- 10/13 *Hancock*: 9:00am eastern time, ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, 400 INGOT STREET, HANCOCK,MI Ingot street is located across from the Quincy hill lookout, just north of Hancock... Contact: Glenn Ekdahl, WA8QNF at (906) 482-7743 if you have questions
- 11/03 *Iron Mountain*: 9:00am central time, (arrive by 8:30am) Dickinson County Library (conference room), contact Mark J. Lewis N8UKD (906) 776-1553, 412 Fairmount St. Kingsford, Mi 49802
- 10/13 *Gladstone*: Delta County Amateur Radio Society Time: 10:00AM (Walk-ins welcome) Contact: Dave Palmgren N8DP, <u>n8dp@dcars.org</u>, (906) 428-2271 VEC: ARRL/VEC Location: Gladstone City Hall Main Meeting Room 1100 Delta Ave. Gladstone, MI 49837

Please arrive one-half hour early for test sessions to give time to process applications. Testing applicants should bring the following items with them: Two pieces of I.D. one being a photo I.D., Original license and one clear copy of their license if applicable, Completed form 605 (one will be provided if you don't have one), pencils, calculator and the test fee of \$15.00. Please have the correct fee as examiners do not carry change. *Please contact the individual(s) listed to confirm date(s), location(s), etc.*

Birthday Wishes

The "Birthday Wishes" column is now back by request. If you notice an error or your birthday is missed please advise the editor. Birthday Wishes for the month of October go to: Wendy KB8VEQ, Gerald W8SAX, Jim AB8NF, Mike KD8BPB, Dale ND8A and Brian N8TLD.

October Meeting

The October HARA meeting will start at **7:00 PM** rather than the usual time. There will be the annual election of club officers. We do have a few members that have stepped up to the plate, again, and again, to keep the club functioning. Nominees are for President Lou KG8NK, Vice-president Paul KB0P, Secretary Mike KD8JIR and Treasurer Lucille KD8PTE. Nominations will still be taken from the floor if you are interested in running for one of the officer positions. Also one board member position has to be filled and Lane WD8PAJ and Fred KD8JIP are running for this position. **This month's program will on Winter Skywarn.**

And then AJ8MH goes QRO



Joe, congratulations on your new purchase, we all bet you are enjoying the DX chasing now that you're pushing 500 watts at them.



Below and lower left are photos from the recent Marquette Marathon. Directly below is Adam KD8AIX mounted on his sweep vehicle. Long day for Adam but he always has a smile on this face.





Public Relations

Our PR committee needs input from each of us if we expect them to do their part in getting the word out about our organization and amateur radio. Please contact a committee member well in advance of a happening. PR committee member is: Lane WD8PAJ laned@chartermi.net or 486-8697.

Volunteering your time Counts!

Each month many members volunteer their time for club activities some of which might include repeater maintenance, ARES, EOC operations, Life Tracker, newsletter, PR, club business, etc. All these volunteered hours and mileage can be credited to HARA and amateur radio but only if you report them. AEC Dave Thomas KD8DRF reports these numbers monthly. So at the end of each month please contact Dave with services rendered, hours and mileage. Contact Dave at dlthomas@chartermi.net

What's Your Favorite Ham Website?

Senate Bill 1244: Preempt certain local amateur radio ordinances

Introduced by Sen. Rick Jones (R) on September 11, 2012, to prohibit local ordinances that preclude federally licensed amateur radio service communications, or that do not comply with Federal Communications Commission rules.

http://www.michiganvotes.org/Legislation.aspx?ID=149810

W1AW Visit

Recently Jim N8NAV, XYL Ann and son Christopher took a trip out East and it looks like Jim persuaded them to stop by ARRL HQ.







On The Bands

10 meters has been open somewhat as of late. So if you are interested in working some DX now might be the time to check out 10 on a regular bases.

EMCOMM and You

SET scheduled for October 6, 2012

- 1. To find out the strengths and weaknesses of ARES and NTS, the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and other groups in providing emergency communications.
- 2. To provide a public demonstration -- to served agencies such as Red Cross, Emergency Management and through the news media -- of the value to the public that Amateur Radio provides, particularly in time of need.
- 3. To help radio amateurs gain experience in communications using standard procedures and a variety of modes under simulated- emergency conditions.

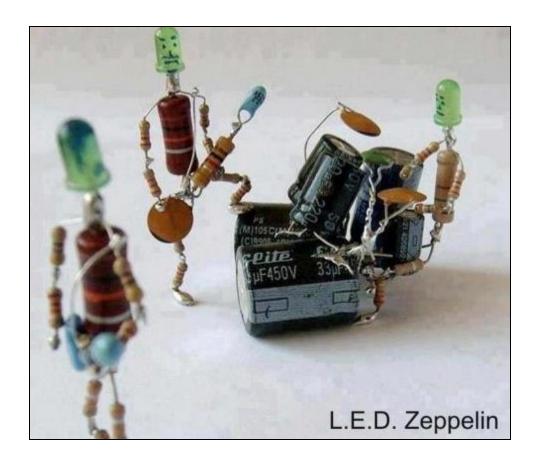
Preparing for SET

Emergency Coordinators sign up all available amateurs in their area and work them into the SET plans. They make special efforts to attract new Technicians as outlined earlier. A meeting of all ARES members and prospective members is called to briefly outline (no details!) SET activities, and give general instructions. ECs contact served agencies and explain the intent and overall purpose of the SET, offer to send test messages to other branches of their agencies, and invite officials to ARES meetings and SET operating sites. Publicity is arranged in consultation with an ARRL Public Information Officer in local newspapers and radio/TV stations.

During the SET

The "emergency" situation is announced and the emergency net is activated. Stations are dispatched to served agencies. Designated stations originate messages on behalf of served agencies. Test messages may be sent simulating requests for supplies. Simulated emergency messages (just like real emergency messages) should be signed by an authorized official. Tactical communications for served agencies is emphasized.

At least one session -- or substantial segment of a session -- of the local net should be conducted on emergency-only basis. Or, if a repeater is on emergency power, only emergency-powered stations should be allowed to operate through the repeater for a certain time period



HARA membership? New member or need to renew your membership? Dues can be mailed to the: Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association, P.O. Box 1183, Marquette, MI 49855. Dues annual rate structure: Single \$15.00, Family \$20.00, Associate \$10.00, Family associate \$15.00, Student \$7.50. More information and an application form is available at http://www.qsl.net/k8lod/membership.html





And that's a wrap for another month. Please if you have an article or something which you may think will be of interest to the club membership get it to me. Comments and suggestions are always welcome. 73 until next month, Greg KI8AF@arrl.net



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