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JOIN US AT OUR NEXT MEETING ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2011, AT 7:30 LOCAL TIME, IN THE PLYMOUTH CITY HALL, AT 201 S. MAIN ST IN PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN 48170.



As I am writing this I am looking at pictures of the summer turning to fall and the leaves falling off the trees and thinking about the trick or treat's coming our way.

I am also thinking about some things our club does for the city of Plymouth and also a special event that is very near and dear to our hearts. Please sign up for the Pumpkin patrol with Chuck and also the special event is The yearly trip to whitefish point to commemorate the sinking of the Edmund Fitzgerald, our chairman as always will be Rich W8VS and if you are interested please get a hold of him.

We also need to be thinking about the elections for the next Two years, I will not be running next time as life is taken me into a much different path being a full time internet radio show Owner and talent, and I cannot lead the club the Way I would like and cannot devote the time it needs, so Dawn and I will not be running. So please start thinking about that.

If you are interested let us know.

Sounds like radio waves are heating up and we may be at the peak of our cycle this winter, so what are some of the plans you guys have for radio over the next coming months?

Also we do have a web page www.qsl.net/w8njh check it out and enjoy it.

Your president

W8RIF

Don Quarles

Stu Rockafellow CW net

Every Monday night at 7 p.m. local time, several Stu Rockers meet for a CW net on 40 meters (7.055 MHz).

We try to keep our conversations short but everyone who wishes can join in and say a few words. It also is a great way for those of you who are either old time CW operators who just want to use their CW skills on a regular basis, or are newcomers to the mode but would like some chat time. We keep the speed down to whatever wpm code speed suits the skill of the particular operator. 15-17 wpm is the norm but slower speeds are not a problem. Please join us when you can



Meeting Minutes

Stu Rock Meeting Minutes

9/20/2011

1. Meeting called to order 7:30PM
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. 9 members present
 1. No visitors (N8AB Terry came late)
 2. No introductions were needed
2. Minutes of June meeting approved as printed in the Rock Reporter.
3. Treasurer's report read and approved.
4. Old business
 - a. Dogs in the Park was well done. Approximately 20 people attended.
 - b. Each member gave a report on their summer activity.

Dick KW8B said he has a Butternut HF5B vertical for sale. Contact him at his call

sign at arrl.net.

5. New business.
 - a. Donnie W8DON has updated web site.
 - b. Rich W8VS said the call signs for White Fish Point have been issued.
 - c. The question was posed; what can the club do to increase membership.
6. Meeting was adjourned.

SATURDAY BREAKFAST LOCATION

Each Saturday, the Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society meets for breakfast at George's Senate Coney Island 39430 Dun Rovin Dr. Northville, MI It is off Haggerty between 5 and 6 Mile on the west side of the road. There is a light at that intersection. The restaurant sits up on a hill The breakfast is at 9:00 AM every Saturday. Talk-in is on the K8RUR 146.92 repeater. You do not need to be a member or a Amateur Operator to attend. Everyone is invited to attend! We would love to see you there!

SECOND TUESDAY NIGHT NET

The following Stations checked into the Stu Rock Tuesday Night Net on July 12, 2011 and are now on the "Honor Roll":

CHUCK	KB8WHQ
DAVE	W8DON

Net on August 09, 2011

MAX	W3DBY
DAVE	K8EDR
SUE	K8MBR
JOE	KB8RF

Net on September 13, 2011

JOHN	K8DSL
RICH	W8VS
MAX	w3dby
JOE	W8WJL

CHECK INTO THE STU ROCKAFELLOW TUESDAY EVENING NET ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:30 LOCAL TIME ON 146.920 REPEATER AND BECOME A MEMBER OF THE "HONOR ROLL" ROLL CALL NEXT MONTH

NET CONTROL OPERATORS

OCT 11, 2011	C. VANVLECK	KB8WHQ
NOV 08, 2011	D. QUARELS	W8RIF
DEC 13, 2011	D. REITZEL	K8EDR
JAN 10, 2012	R. BARKER	W8VS
FEB 14, 2012	M. BEHRENS	W3DBY
MAR 13, 2012	C. VANVLECK	KB8WHQ

(* = New Operator)

Interested in becoming a Net Control Operator?

Contact Chuck VanVleck 734-453-7377 or
emermgnt@aol.com

WEB SITES

CHECK OUT THE STILL ROCK WEB SITE

[WWW.qsl.net/w8njh](http://www.qsl.net/w8njh)

www.n3fjz.com

members.mint.net/~n1bug/prop/a/amon/a/uf.html

www.dster.org

Aurora ActivityMap:

<http://sec.noaa.gov/pmap>

Mega Converter Web Page:

<http://www.megaconverter.com/mega2>

Antennas

<http://www.pi4cc.nl/link/bc.htm>

www.csbek.com/radio.html

CONTESTS AND DX

[HTTP://cpcug.org/user/wfedit/](http://http://cpcug.org/user/wfedit/)

INTERNATIONAL CALL LOOK-UP

http://www.buck.com/cgi-bin/do_hamcall.exe

NAME TAGS & OTHER HAM STUFF

www.qslusa.com

National Weather Service, Detroit

www.crb.noaa.gov/dx

Logging Programs

www.n3fjz.com

R A D A R

<http://www.qsl.net/w8dar>

Local Hams in your neighborhood

<http://www.varcityhq.com/maps/encenzip.html>

STUFF

<http://ralphkatz.pbworks.com/HamRadioLinks>

ARRL WEB SITE

<http://www.arrl.org/>

VE'S

DICK HARRIS	KW8B
DAVE REITZEL	K8EDR
BRUNO WALCZAK	WASDHP
RALPH KATZ	AABRK
WILL SOPHA	W8USR
MAX BEHRENS	W3DBY
JOHN DELLINGER	KN8B



OCTOBER

JOHN EBIJER	15
DAVE WALKER	21
JOHN DAUGHTERTY	22

NOVEMBER

RALPH MOOTE	07
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CLUB DUES ARE DUE.

MAIL IN THE FORM PRINTED BELOW

TO:

STU ROCK TREASURER
 33765 TAWAS TRAIL
 WESTLAND, MI 48185-6933

OR

BETTER YET, BRING IT TO THE
 NEXT MEETING

REMEMBER

If you don't see your name listed in the birthday box, the secretary does not know your birthdate

STU ROCKAFELLOW A.R.S. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Send this form along with the appropriate dues to Stu Rock A.R.S., 33765 Tawas Trail, Westland, MI 48185-6933

Name: _____ FCC Call: _____ Date of Birth: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____
 ARRL Member?: _____
 E-Mail Address: _____
 School Name: _____
 License Class: _____

\$20.00 Regular Membership (hold FCC license)
 \$15.00 Retired or Student (hold FCC license)

\$20.00 Associated Membership (No FCC License)
 \$15.00 Retired or Student (No FCC License)

Remembering the Edmund Fitzgerald 2011

For the 15th consecutive year, members of the Stu Rockafellow Amateur Radio Society will be traveling to Whitefish Point, MI and Paradise, MI to do a ham radio 'Special Event' "Remembering the Edmund Fitzgerald". The Fitzgerald went down with her crew of 29 on November 10th 1975 in Lake Superior approximately 17 miles from Whitefish Point, MI. This marks the 36th year of that tragedy.

The call sign used at Whitefish Point will be N8F and the call sign used at Paradise, MI (11 miles South of Whitefish Point) will be K8F. The Whitefish Point Lighthouse # is USA 887. We expect to be operational Friday November 4th thru Sunday November 6th with up to 4 stations.

Our target freqs. are 3860, 7240, 14260, 18160*, 21360, and 28360* (kHz SSB) (* secondary) **NOTE:** CW operation is not planned.

Only a certificate will be available. Send a 9x12 SASE (N8F / K8F only) to W8VS - Richard Barker 264 N. East St. Brighton, MI. 48116. E-Mail [Rich - W8VS](mailto:Rich-W8VS)

Information is also in Nov. QST in the Special Events listings/

PLEASE OBSERVE THE CORRECT QSL ROUTES!

Also, teaming up with us this year are:

1: The [Livonia Amateur Radio Club](#) from Livonia, MI. using the call sign W8F and operating from the [Dossin Museum](#), Sun. Nov. 6th , located on Belle Isle in the Detroit River.

2: The [Stillwater Amateur Radio Association](#) from Stillwater, MN, using the callsign W0JH, operating 3 stations from the Split Rock Lighthouse State Park at the west end of Lake Superior (Lighthouse # USA 783).

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The by-laws state:

Article 2

Officers

Section 1(revised 4/04)

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL BE MADE UP OF THE: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, *THE PAST PRESIDENT*, Society License Trustee and Community Liaison Officer

Section 2(revised 4/04)

A. The President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer are elected by ballot, by the majority of the members present at the NOVEMBER general meeting, and serve for a term of TWO years, beginning immediately after the NOVEMBER election.

B .Any or all of these officers may serve for more than one term and may serve for consecutive terms if so elected according this Constitution and its by-laws.

C . THE OUTGOING PRESIDENT WILL REMAIN ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WITH FULL VOTING RIGHTS FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR.

D. NOMINATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER BUSINESS MEETINGS.

2008 & 2009 Society Officers

President	W8RIF	DON QUARLES
w8rif@comcast.net	734-641-6417	
Vice President	W8VS	RICH BARKER
parabarker@sbcglobal.net		810-229-6996
Secretary	KD8LIZ	DAWN QUARLES
dquarles@comcast.net		734-641-6417
Treasurer	K8EDR	DAVE REITZEL
edraatch@att.net		734-427-3472
Club License Trustee	K8DSL	JOHN EBEJER
k8dsl@wowway.com	734-420-1606	
Gov. Liaison & S.E. Officer	OPEN	
Newsletter Editor	KB8WHQ	Chuck VanVleck
emermgmt@aol.com		(before 8 pm)734-453-7377
Meetings	W8USR	William Sopha
Chairman	will@sopha.org	313-533-8548
Special Events	(Your Name?)	
Chairman		
2011 Field Day	W8VS	Rich Barker
Chairman	parabarker@sbcglobal.net	810-229-6996
Training Officer	WA8DHP	Bruno Walczak
bruno-ceil@att.net		734-464-8928
Dogs in the Park	W8RIF	DON QUARLES
w8rif@comcast.net	734-641-6417	

2011 EVENT CALENDAR

JANUARY 2012

10 Rock Net 7:30 pm
 17 Tuesday Rock dinner 7:00 pm ?
Dues are due
 15 Hazel Park Swap?
 (2 Rock tables) ?
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM

FEBRUARY 2012

14 Rock Net 7:30 pm
 19 Livonia ARC Swap?
 (2 Rock tables)
 21 Tuesday Rock Meeting 7:30 PM
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM

MARCH 2012

13 Rock Net 7:30 pm
 20 Rock Meeting 7:30 pm
 (LAST CHANCE TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP)

APRIL 2011

12 Rock Net 7:30 pm
 19 Rock Meeting 7:30 pm
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM

MAY 2011

10 Rock Net 7:30 pm
 17 Rock Meeting 7:30 pm
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM

JUNE 2011

14 Rock Net 7:30 PM
 21 Rock Meeting 7:30 pm
 25 & 26 Field Day Weekend
 TWP PARK?
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM

JULY 2011

04 Township Picnic at Twp
 Park (Rock members Welcome)
 12 Rock Net 7:30 pm
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM
NO GENERAL MEETING

AUGUST 2011

09 Rock Net 7:30 pm
NO GENERAL MEETING
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM
 25 DOGS IN THE PARK 5-8 PM
NO NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2011

13 Rock Net 7:30 pm
 20 Rock Meeting 7:30 pm
 (PATROL SIGNUP)
 17 ARC Bike Ride Comm.
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM
NO NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2011

11 Rock Net 7:30 pm
 18 Rock Meeting 7:30 pm
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM

NOVEMBER 2011

05-06 Edmond Fitzgerald Special Event
 White Fish Point
 08 Rock Net 7:30 PM
 15 Rock Meeting 7:30 PM
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM

DECEMBER 2011

13 Rock Net 7:30 PM
 220 ROCK MEETING 7:30 pm
2012 Dues are due
 Mon & Wed CWNet 7 PM

THE STU ROCKAFELLOW AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY



PLYMOUTH CITY HALL

Club meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 PM local time except July and August.

Meetings are held in the Plymouth City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, in Plymouth Michigan

Check us out on the Web : www.qsl.net/w8njh

STU ROCKAFELLOW A.R.S.
201 S. MAIN STREET
PLYMOUTH, MI 48170

LABEL

!!! If you move, please advise us of your new address!!!!