



## WA8WHP To Take AARC On A Tour Of Channel 17 This Month

This month, instead of our usual business meeting at the hospital, Frank, WA8WHP, will give us a tour of Channel 17. Frank, who has been employed by the TV station for quite a few years now, took us on a tour once before, and it was a very interesting program.

At that time the switch to digital had just begun and the new station was only in the planning stages. Now, they have a digital station near completion at another location.

But, as we all know, real radios glow in the dark, and just as they are becoming a thing of the past, analog TV stations are soon to be a thing of the past. This may be your last chance to see a "real" TV station. So plan to be at Channel 17 at 7:30 PM this Wednesday.

Channel 17 is located at the intersection of US Rt. 62 and California Ave. in Louisville, Ohio. Just look for a big tall four sided steel thing with lights and you're there.

## QCWA Chapter 21 Meeting Announcement

QCWA Chapter 21 will hold their next meeting on August 16th at 12:30 PM. It will be at Anthe's Restaurant, in Akron, Ohio. Directions can be found on the web page at: [www.cmh.net/qcwa](http://www.cmh.net/qcwa) or contact Dave, W8UKQ.

They must have your reservations by Friday evening, August 8th.

After lunch, the meeting will adjourn to the home of Mel Vye, W8MV.

## AARC Has Display and Station At Mile Branch Grange Fair

The Alliance Amateur Radio Club set up a station and display again this year at the Mile Branch Grange Fair on July 24, 25, and 26. Joe, KC8TAC, reported that the Club station worked 7 foreign countries, 2 Canadian provinces, and had a total of 23 contacts, plus 1 checkin to the cw net. Jack, W8WEN amazed some of the younger visitors by telling them what they had typed on a computer that translated their typing to CW.

### Special Meeting Announcement

The next meeting of the Alliance ARC will be on Wednesday, August 6th.

The Club will meet at Channel 17 at 7:30 PM. Our regular meetings begin at 7:30 PM, at the Alliance Community Hospital on the first Wednesday.

Directions can be found on the K8LTG Repeater (145.370)

See you there!

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## Editorial

This Newsletter is brief. Summer is not a good time to do Newsletters and this summer seems to be worse than usual.

I have a lot of Field Day pictures that I want to print and quite a bit of other material, but no time to get it done now.

Dave, W8UKQ, wanted me to hold the minutes from the last two meetings until next month, since we won't have a regular meeting this month, so that's why they aren't here.

George, K3GP, reported that this years score 2426, category 3A compares favorably to last years score, 2186, category 4A. I have printed an edited version of his summary sheet on the back page. Thanks again to everyone who participated and helped out.

Several people have sent me mail concerning the close approach of Mars to Earth this month. On the 27th it will be the closest it's been perhaps for 60,000 years. I have seen it in the early morning sky just before dawn nearly due south. It is bright, doesn't twinkle like the stars, and has a slightly reddish color. Check it out.

The Ohio Bicentennial running of the Ohio QSO Party will be Saturday, August 23, 2003. It runs from noon to midnight, local time. Activity will be on the low bands, 10 through 80 meters, CW and sideband.

Hope to see you at Ch. 17 Wednesday. KE8VE

## Meetings

The Alliance Amateur Radio Club meets on the First Wednesday of every month, in the cafeteria of the Alliance Community Hospital. Talk-in is on 145.37 @. Meetings begin at 7:30 PM. Visitors are always welcome.

## Nets

Thursday is our "net night," with the following nets on tap:

### Ten meters

CW @ 8PM on 28.400 MHz  
SSB @ 8:30PM on 28.400 MHz

### 2 meters

9 PM on 145.37 MHz

## Internet

If you'd like to check us out on the web, our E-mail address is:

**w8lky@qsl.net**

Our club home page is:

**[Http://www.qsl.net/w8lky](http://www.qsl.net/w8lky)**

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# August 2003

*Birthday Greetings to: N8IGZ and N8NLZ*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 10-10 Int Summer Contest SSB ARRL UHF Contest <b>Beaver Valley ARA VE - Beaver Falls PA</b> NA QSO Party CW
3	4 Columbiana County Trng. Net 8:00pm	5 N Columbiana ARES Net 9:00pm 147.255 <b>N8IGZ</b> Pioneer AR Fellowship VE Akron OH	6 <b>AARC Meeti- ng 7:30pm</b> Carroll County Net 9:00pm 147.075	7 AARC Nets CW 2000, SSB 2030 28.400 - 2M, 2100 145.370 QCWA Net 7:30 - 147.18	8	9 Maryland-DC QSO Party SARL HF CW Contest WAE DX Contest, CW
10 Maryland-DC QSO Party	11 Columbiana County Trng. Net 8:00pm	12 N Columbiana ARES Net 9:00pm 147.255 <u>Six Club Perseids Meteor Shower Contest</u>	13 Carroll County Net 9:00pm 147.075	14 AARC Nets CW 2000, SSB 2030 28.400 - 2M, 2100 145.370 QCWA Net 7:30 - 147.18	15	16 <u>New Jersey OSO Party</u> North American QSO Party, SSB <b>W8LKY Special Event @ Silver Park 9 am to 6 pm</b>
17 <b>Carnation Triathlon 7:00 am</b> <b>Warren ARA Hamf- est and VE Warren OH</b>	18 Columbiana County Trng. Net 8:00pm	19 N Colu- mbiana ARES Net 9:00pm 147.255	20 Carroll County Net 9:00pm 147.075 <b>N8NLZ</b>	21 AARC Nets CW 2000, SSB 2030 28.400 - 2M, 2100 145.370 QCWA Net 7:30 - 147.18	22	23 <u>ALARA Contest</u> NRRL 75th Anniversary Contest <u>Ohio OSO Party</u> TOEC WW Grid Contest, CW
24 CQC Summer QSO Party SARL HF CW Contest	25 Columbiana County Trng. Net 8:00pm	26 N Colu- mbiana ARES Net 9:00pm 147.255	27 Carroll County Net 9:00pm 147.075	28 AARC Nets CW 2000, SSB 2030 28.400 - 2M, 2100 145.370 QCWA Net 7:30 - 147.18	29	30 <b>Canton/Massillon ARC's VE Massillon OH</b>
31 YO DX HF Contest						

July						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

September						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

***The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.***



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ARRL FIELD DAY -- 2003

Call: W8LKY  
 Power: Low Power (A)  
 Band: All Band  
 Mode: Mixed Mode  
 Section: OH

BAND	CW	QSO	CW	QSO	PTS	SSB	QSO	SSB	QSO	PTS
160		0		0			0		0	
80		70		280			143		286	
40		23		92			72		144	
20		144		576			121		242	
15		0		0			0		0	
10		0		0			3		6	
50		0		0			0		0	
144		0		0			0		0	
222		0		0			0		0	
432		0		0			0		0	
1.2		0		0			0		0	
2.3		0		0			0		0	
3.4		0		0			0		0	

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 237 + 339 = 576 Total QSO

(948 CW QSO PTS + 678 SSB QSO PTS) + 800 BONUS = 2,426

## Local Area Amateur Radio Nets

Joe, KC8TAC sent in the following link to a website that has just about every net that you can check into from this area.

<http://kc8lin.tripod.com/nets.htm>

There are nets listed on 160, 80, 40, 10, 6 and 2 meters as well as on the 220 and 440 MHz bands.

The list is on a website created by Jason, KC8LIN, from North Canton. His site,

<http://kc8lin.tripod.com/> also has some interesting pictures of the recent flooding taken by Matt, KC8RYG.