

Zero Beat

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Upcoming Club Programs & Events

October 3 - Club Breakfast

October 14 - Club Meeting (On Air)

November 7 - Club Breakfast

(for all events, see w8lky.org)

Club Breakfast

We meet for breakfast on the first Saturday of every month, at Don Pancho's, 2105 W. State St, Alliance.

We hope to see you at our next breakfast on October 3rd at 8:30AM.

Club Meeting

Our next club meeting will be held on October 14th at 7:30PM.

This months meeting will again be on our Two Meter repeater

145.370 with a PL of 110.9hz on the Transmit, and receive.



President's Remarks

AARC Election process is well underway as you read this. As noted in Emails and letters to club members paid for 2020 sent by our Trus-

tees, this election is one for the books. We need everyone to assist our trustees in making this election by Email and Letter a good and sound event. I know that all of us wished we could conduct our elections like we have in the past, but 2020 created new challenges for all of us. We will prevail and we all appreciated all the candidates for steeping up to the plate and making this on unforgettable event in club history.

AARC's 2020 Fall Fundraiser is another casualty of the COVID 19 Event. We have decided to forgo the traditional face to face event by substituting a mail in or make PayPal donations on our club website. I know by past experience, the time, talent and funds expended on this project were just outstanding, but we will come back next fall with even a bigger Fall Fundraiser in 2021. For our newer members a word of explanation. Traditionally AARC has held a silent fundraiser in support of the Alliance Fire and Police Department's Union who pro-

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AARC Meetings

The Alliance Amateur Radio Club meetings are temporarily cancelled due the COVID19 Pandemic. For now, our meetings are being held on our two Meter repeater. See pg. 1 for more information.

AARC Repeaters

2 Meters

145.370 (-) W8LKY (PL - 110.9hz)

440 MHz

442.350 (+) W8LKY (PL - 131.8hz)

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Web: www.w8lky.org

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Nets

Tuesday

Homeland security Net 7:00PM 147.51 Simplex

Thursday

Ten Meters

7:30 PM 28.122 MHz (Olivia) 8:00PM 28.420 MHz (SSB) 8:30PM 28.100 MHz (CW)

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Presidents Remarks

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vide different events in support of needy families and kids during the Christmas Holiday season.

AARC has been asked by Dave Beltz WD8AYE, an AARC member and also Assistant Emergency Coordinator of Stark County ARES/EMA to assist in the installation of a DMR Repeater at the #3 Alliance City Fire Station in the Mt. Union Area of Alliance. Technical details with the city's law department are being worked out as this article is being written. We are hopping to do this project on a Saturday morning in October 2020. We will need able body members to assist in carrying the repeater cabinet and equipment down stairs to the basement for installation. Other team members will be needed to install an antenna on the chimney at that location, and connect the feed line from the antenna to the repeater installation taking place in the basement. More details will be shared as they become available.

Doug KB8DNQ is the process of establishing AARC's new Digital Weekly net. Details on this project are being finalized and we hope to have this new weekly Digital Net up and running very soon. The weekly Digital Net puts our club firmly in the 21st century. It sounds very exciting and just adds another tool in our quest to grow in Amateur Radio.

Club tee shirts should be in very soon, we are waiting for one more payment from a member. We will gather (as you feel comfortable in doing so) on October 3rd at 8:30am at Don Poncho's for a hearty breakfast. At this point in time, we may have to forgo our annual Holiday Dinner. I would like to know if you would attend the dinner by RSVP to me by email or in person. I think we can still get First Christian Church's Fellowship Hall where there is plenty of room for Social Distancing. Let me know if your interested. The Church recently hosted the Alliance Lions Club Rose Day kick off dinner and it went very well, no problems.

Last but not least, COVID 19 is still here and we must continue to honor CDC, State and Local safety procedures. It's like the Electronic Sign at Alliance High School states "Mask Up, Back Up and Wash Up". If our kids can do this, don't you think as adults we can do the same?

73's

Ron KE8HCY

New Thursday Night Net

Beginning October 1st, Doug, KB8DNQ will be MC'ing a new digital net on Ten Meters. It begins each Thursday night on 28.122. Set your digital software to Olivia 8/500.

According to Doug,

To check into the net:

"AARCDN de (your call), name. city, with or without a comment"

Then when making a comment or addressing the net use "AARCDN de (your call) ' and then your comments.

I've not tried Olivia, but if you are set up for other modes such as RTTY, PSK, etc with FLDigi, then you should be good to go.

For more information, contact Doug, KB8DNQ at kb8dnq@gmail.com.

AARC DX Challenge

It's that time again. The AARC DX Challenge begins at 0000Z on Wednesday, September 30th, and continues until 2359Z March 31st. It's similar to CQ Magazines DX Marathon. The challenge part of it is to see just how many different DX countries you can work in 6 months.

The 2019/20 version was won by James, KD8VT.

The rules are simple;

- 1) You must be a AARC member during the 6 month period.
- 2) All DX entities count once, Regardless of Band, or Mode.
- 3) All bands & Modes are eligible
- 4) You are on the honor system. Just send in your logs at the end, and we'll score them.

Questions or entries can be directed to <u>John</u>, <u>KD8MQ</u> at <u>kd8mq1@gmail.com</u>.

AARC Swap & Shop

Drake TR7 HF Transceiver S/N 2598 \$630

Drake PF7 Power Supply S/N 2591 Not working – goes with TR7

Astron RM35 Power Supply goes with TR7

Drake RV7 Remote VFO S/N 2813 \$100

Drake MS7 Speaker \$ 75

Drake Wattmeter WH-7 \$50

**ALL ABOVE FOR \$800 OBO

Drake L7 HF Amp S/N 108

Drake P7 Amp S/N 103

Both for \$950 OBO

All items were tested and working except for the PF7 power supply as noted. The prices are an average what was found on line.

WB80VQ

Bob Warner

330-802-9562

warner@att.net

For Sale - Yaesu FTM-400XDR Dual Band Fusion rig. Purchased new in Nov 2018. Has both Bluetooth & Voice modules installed.

Original box & mount - \$450.00 KD8MQ E-

mail: kd8mq1@qmail.com,

Phone: 330-936-5021



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ARRL Elections

In this issue, we are running Candidate statements that we have received for the ARRL Great Lakes Division elections.

ARRL members, Please take time to vote when you get your ballot. It takes just a moment, and it is important!

Want To Take a General Class?



The following was in one of Dan, KB6NU's daily blog emails.

HIi,

I've finally set the date for the online General Class. The class will start on Monday, October 5, 2020 and con-

sist of eight, two-hour sessions starting at 9 pm EDT (6pm PDT) and running until 11 pm EDT (8pm PDT). The eight sessions will take place on the following dates:

- Monday, October 5
- Thursday, October 8
- Monday, October 12
- Thursday, October 15
- Monday, October 19
- Thursday, October 22
- Monday, October 26
- Thursday, October 29

The cost is \$25 for adults. High school and college students can attend for free. If you're a student, all you have to do to register is send an email to cwgeek@kb6nu.com stating that you want to take the class. All others can register using PayPal or Amazon Pay here.

I'll be using my No-Nonsense General-Class License Study Guide (for tests given between July 2019 and June 2023). It's available as an ebook, paperback book, or audiobook.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Dan KB6NU

Click here to Sign Up

Scott Yonally, N8SY for Great Lakes Division Vice Director

Representing amateur radio for more than 40 years and a Life Member of the ARRL, I currently hold the positions of:

- Ohio Section Manager
- Great Lakes Division Assistant Director
- ARRL Official Relay Station
- •ARRL Official Emergency Station
- •Vice Chair of the Richland County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
- •Village of Lexington Electronics Board committee member
- •Education Committee member for the Emergency Management Association of Ohio (EMAO)
- Member of Ohio Public / Private Partnership (OP-3)
- •Radio Officer for the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES) of Richland County
- Member of the Ohio Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters Ohio (VOAD)
- Life member of the Ohio Single Side-Band Net (OSSBN)
- Member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA)
- •Webmaster for the Ohio Section, Great Lakes Division and several clubs and organizations
- •I write a weekly newsletter for ham operators that's distributed throughout the country
- •ARRL Extra Class accredited Volunteer Examiner

2019 ARRL Joe Knight, Distinguished Service Award recipient



Youth programs are a vital importance to our growth in Amateur Radio. I have supported Carole Perry, WB2MGP Radio Club of America Youth Activities initiatives through the years, and have assisted her in showcasing many talented young hams.

The position of Vice Director holds great importance and responsibility that needs strong experienced leadership. Someone who understands YOU and your needs as well as the needs nationally.

I have that experience, working with the ARRL Leadership, as well as working with government agencies and hams all over the country. I enjoy helping to solve problems and creating new ways of making this wonderful hobby fun.

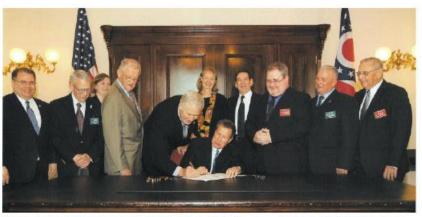
I would appreciate your vote and support for Great Lakes Division Vice Director

For more information about me please visit: www.n8sy.com





Observing a Youthful Field Day



Sees any challenge through to the end (Signing of Ohio PRB-1 bill into law)



You WIN with PEOPLE! (Frank with his "PRB-1 for Ohio" Team)



Devoted to Public Service

Frank J. Piper, KI8GW

Candidate for ARRL Great Lakes DivisionVice-Director



Honesty - Integrity - Experience - Vision

25 Years of experience with various ARRL positions from Assistant Emergency Coordinator, to Past Section Manager of the Ohio Section, to Assistant Director of the Great Lakes Division, Frank Piper will bring his experience, and a vision of sustainability for our Service and Hobby, to the Board of the ARRL. Read and listen to Frank's vision on his website and social media.

www.ki8gw.net



@ElectKI8GW

Special Edition of "Dale's Tales" and Candidate Statement



Dale Williams WA8EFK Great Lakes Division Director

Candidate for Great Lakes Division Director, 2021-2024 Term, representing the ARRL Members in Kentucky, Ohio and Michigan.

In the 58 years I have been licensed, amateur radio has played a vitally important part in my career. From my

early experience as an electronics tech, service in Vietnam with the Army Signal Corps and later in my business career, the lifelong friends I have made and wonderful relationships that came about were largely and directly impacted by ham radio.

I am currently an Amateur Extra, operating 160 Meters through 450 MHz at home and mobile. I consider myself a "casual DXer" and am currently enjoying operating several of our new digital modes and am heavily involved with our local ARES team.

My ARRL experience includes service in the following positions:

Assistant EC

EC

Section EC

Section Manager

Vice Director

Director

Programs and Services (Chair)

Ethics and Elections (Chair)

Public Service Enhancement Working Group (PSEWG) (Chair)

ARRL Executive Committee

ARRL Foundation Board



HF Band Planning Committee
New CEO Selection Committee
During my tenure with the PSEWG we developed the necessary upgrades to the ARES, brining it in alignment with the needs of our served partner agencies. I also introduced the changes to the Field Card Checker program allowing more checkers to be available in strategic locations and adding those willing to travel to hamfests and conventions.

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My membership in several organizations and community agencies allows me to draw on that experience to bring additional expertise my leadership position at ARRL.

Veteran, US Army, 362 Signal Company. Viet Nam. Troposcatter systems operations and maintenance

State of Michigan Antenna Advisory Committee - Member

Michigan Association of Planning - Member

Historic Vehicle Association - Member

Monroe County Library System, Health Care VEBA Trust - Chairman

Detroit / SE Michigan UASI Communications Interoperability Committee

- Monroe County Representative

Monroe County Local Emergency Planning Committee / Local Planning Team - Member

Lake Erie Transportation Commission - Member

Dundee Village Planning Commission - Chairman

Monroe County Radio Communications Assn. - Member

River Raisin Repeater Assn. - Trustee

Monroe County Amateur Radio Public Service Corps - ARES Assistant E. C.

I truly believe ARRL represents what is the best in ham radio and our members are the reason ARRL has such a strong history. As you know, I have worked diligently to be accessible to you and that promise remains solidly in place. I have heard from you that the challenges we face in the near term include protection from oppressive antenna restrictions, the making of a more viable NTS, making both basic and more advanced training available for all amateurs and developing services for our ARRL Affiliated radio clubs.

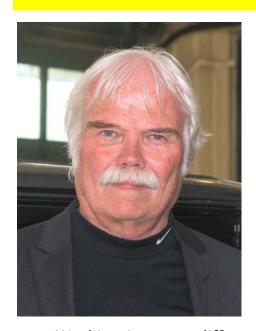
My experience and time cooperating and collaborating with my fellow Directors will permit me to see that ARRL leadership is proactive in resolving the concerns of Great Lakes Division ARRL members.

As a "Final", please excuse any duplicate copies of this message and errors in the e-mail database. They were manually complied from previous correspondence we may have had and time takes a toll on addresses.

Thanks and 73 Dale WASEFK



W8CI Candidate for ARRL Great Lakes Director 2020



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I love Amateur Radio and the opportunity we have to extend good will and understanding throughout the world's many cultures.

Amateur Radio leadership Experience:

Official Spokesperson for Dayton Hamvention 2021.
Dayton Hamvention Board Member
Financial Officer/Chair for Hamvention and DARA
Dayton Hamvention General Chairman 2011 2012
Dayton Amateur Radio Association President 2005
2006

Awards Co Chair for Hamvention 2021

Business Background and Corporate Director Experience

Successfully sold manufacturing business (2008)

Working in many different companies to improve their profitability as well as serving on many company boards.

Past Chairman of The Dayton Region Manufacturing Association

International Experience

Peace Corps Volunteer Tunisia 1974-1975

Keynote Speaker at Ham Radio-2012 in Friedrichschafen, Germany Keynote Speaker at Qatar University in Doha

Traveled through India at the request of the National Institute of Amateur Radio, NIAR, leaderhip to speak with several government officials in New Delhi and Hyderabad to explain how the USA's streamlined amateur radio license process

Active at the Tokyo Amateur Radio Fair - 2016, 2017, and 2018

Public-Service On-the-Air Activity

Primary Net Control in Wilmington, Ohio--National Weather Service Offices. Skywarn. We serve the Southern half of Ohio, Northern Kentucky, and Eastern Indiana.

Former President of local Emergency Management Authority Board

Government Experience

Former elected official in Greene County, Ohio.

Retired volunteer firefighter and medical rescue in Greene County, Ohio.

Volunteer Background

Speaker at Contest University In Dayton 2017, 2018,2019 – Presented welcoming speech

Speaker at the magnificent ARRL-100 Hartford Convention

Speaker at many other events including Hamcation, Ham Radio in Friedrichschafen, and many club gatherings.

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Amateur Radio Organization Participation

Life Member QCWA LIfe Member QRZ Life Member DARA Life Member RCA

Recognition

2017 Recipient of the Radio Club of America sponsored Barry Goldwater Award

2018 Recipient of DARA President's Award for Outstanding Service 2020 Awarded Life Membership to Portage County Amateur Radio Service, Portage County, Ohio

Director Objectives

Be open and transparent with the membership

Work to promote youth in Amateur Radio, as we have done at the Hamvention

Work to provide the members with a cost-effective, responsive, National organization

Personal

Reside about 7 miles south of the center of Xenia, Ohio in the beautiful southern Ohio rolling countryside. Xenia, Ohio is the new home of Hamvention! Planning is well underway for HV21. This a labor of love for the nearly 700 Amateurs who volunteer their time and talent.

Play music with an eclectic acoustic music group known as The Wingwalkers. We play festivals and other engagements in the midwest.

Member of Rotary International

Sadly, I have lost my younger brother, Dave KB8OCP, an amazing human and amateur radio operator. Even though he came into the hobby later than I, he taught me a great deal! I miss you my brother! **Please support the Dave Kalter Memorial Youth DXpedition**!

In Conclusion

I would appreciate your support and vote 73, Michael, W8CI



MASSILLON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

HAMFEST

Sunday, November 1, 2020

NEW LOCATION!

MAPS Air Museum - (GPS Address)

2260 International Parkway North Canton, OH 44720

Improved Parking!

Easy Access from I-77 near the Akron Canton Airport (CAK) – Look for the P-51 Fighter Plane!

Tables - \$12.00 (8 ft. table)

CONTACT/INFO

Admission - \$5.00

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Terry Russ (N8ATZ) 330-837-3091

truss@sssnet.com

W8NP - "Talk/Check-In" 147.180 mhz PL 110.9

(Check-In / Main Prizes Awarded)

Editors Rambling

Hi everyone. Here we are again. I had a great time at Mt Gilead State Park. OSPOTA weekend was awesome. I finished my KILO award. This is awarded after making 1000 contacts from a POTA entity. I'm not usually a paper chaser, but this was a big one for me!

The next planned trip will be the annual trip to Jefferson County PA for the PA QSO Party. It's a weekend of good friends, good food, and Ham Radio!

Sometime in October, I'd like to do a brief activation of the First Ladies National Historic Site. This is in downtown Canton, and is always a challenge when it comes to getting a signal out. It's been a few years since I've tried to activate it, so I'm looking forward to seeing how propagation compares with last time.

The Echolink project is moving forward. Most of the hardware has been purchased. Now it's a matter of finishing some other projects, so I can find time to melt some solder, and start putting it all together. Then comes the fun part; Programming!

Lastly, it looks like the Massillon ARC Hamfest will **not** be a COVID-19 casualty. It is scheduled for November 1st, and will be held at the MAPS facility in green. Look for the flyer in this issue. I'm told that their **will** be an auction as usual.

So, that's it for this month. Don't forget to vote in the club elections.

This is the 369th issue of the Zero Beat, and my 194rd issue.

73 DE KD8MQ

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