

## The Marinette and Menominee Amateur Radio Club

# GROUND WAVE

Repeater Frequencies 147.00MHz & 444.075MHz  
Club Net: Sunday 7PM 147.00MHz

Web Page <http://w8pif.com>



### Officers:

President: Jim Callow K8IR  
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The MMARC Newsletter

December 2009

## ***MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!***

### **CLUB CALENDAR...**

December 6 Christmas Party  
at Schusslers  
January 14 Club Meeting at Spies

### **NO DECEMBER MEETING...**

There will be no regular meeting in December, as we will be gathering on Sunday December 6<sup>th</sup> at Schusslers in Peshtigo for the Christmas Party. See the November Ground Wave for details. We'll resume the regular meetings on Thursday January 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **DUES DEADLINE...**

December 31<sup>st</sup> is the deadline to keep your membership current by paying your dues for the current club year. The cost remains the same, \$18 for a single membership or \$27 for the whole family. You can drop your check in the

mail to P.O. Box 1082 Marinette, or better yet, drop it off at a meeting. Thanks to those who have already renewed their memberships. We thank you for continued support of the M&M ARC.

### **ARRL VE SESSION...**

VE testing will be available on Saturday December 5<sup>th</sup> starting with registration at 9:30am with testing to begin at 10. Location will be the NWTC facility on University Drive and Pierce Ave. Use the southwest parking lot. New test candidates will need two pieces of ID, including one with photo, and your SS number. Upgrades must bring a copy of your FCC license, in addition of the ID information. Once you successfully test and receive your license, you will use the FRN number for FCC ID purposes. Upgrades do not need their SS number. Cost of the testing is \$15. Any retest needed will cost an additional \$15. Multiple tests at the same session for upgrade purposes only cost a one-time fee of \$15. Test coordinator is Pete Johnson AB9PJ

## CHARTER BANQUET ANNOUNCED...

The banquet to commemorate our 60th year as an ARRL club has been set for Saturday April 24 at Schusslers in Peshtigo. Dale Williams, WA8EFK of Dundee, MI, the ARRL section manager for Michigan has agreed to represent the ARRL as our speaker. 60 years as a chartered club puts us in the upper echelon of ARRL clubs, and an occasion to be proud of. Other plans for the occasion will be announced later as they become firmed up. Please circle that date on your calendars, as we anticipate a large crowd.

## Y.A.C.H.T. TEAM EXPANDS...

Four new members have joined the Young Amateurs Contest Ham Team within the past week. The total membership is now up to 76 members, 58 young hams and 18 adult coaches/advisors. Our newest additions are Robert KJ4PMK, age 12 of Sumter, SC; Joseph Hon, W0JLH, age 18 of Independence, MO; Kati K7KTI age 10 of Reno, NV; and her dad Leif KF7AMY. Leif is our 18th coach member. The states of Missouri, Nevada, and South Carolina bring our state total to 15. The EYR (Echolink Youth Roundtable) is held each Friday at 8pm CST on the 147.000 repeater, echolink node #481872. The Nov. 20th Roundtable brought in 16 check ins from 6 states and 2 countries, Canada and New Zealand. Half of the stations checking in were young ham radio operators. Y.A.C.H.T. was organized in July of 2007 by Jim Pearson KS8O and Ed Engleman KG8CX with just 7 charter members. The official webpage is <http://www.wd8dx.com/yacht> Webmaster is Jeff Morey WD8DX of the Gaylord area in Michigan. Make Friday evenings at 8pm your Echolink Roundtable evening, and listen to some interesting comments and topics from the "(K)nights of the Echolink Roundtable." All ages are welcome.

## SKYWARN SPECIAL EVENT...



The 11th Annual SKYWARN Recognition Day (SRD) Special Event will take place Saturday, December 5, 2009 (UTC). SRD is co-sponsored by the ARRL and the National Weather Service (NWS) as a way to recognize the commitment made by Amateur Radio operators in helping to keep their communities safe. According to SRD Coordinator David Floyd, N5DBZ, Amateur Radio operators can visit their [local participating NWS office](#), working as a team to contact other hams across the world throughout the 24 hour event. Hams can receive a certificate for working NWS office stations. Full details are available on the ARRL website.

In connection with the Special Event the Green Bay office is open for tours, 7 - 9pm on Friday, and 1- 3pm on Saturday. It is quite an experience and education to see how the weather office conducts daily weather activities, and provides your forecasts, and especially what happens during official ham radio activations.

## 2010 SUPERFEST DATE SET...

The annual Amateur Electronic Supply Superfest will be held at the AES Milwaukee location on Friday April 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup>. They will have a large participation from major Ham equipment manufacturers, clubs and organizations. There will be VE testing, interesting forums, a fox hunt, prizes, the Gordon West show and more! And it's all FREE. Superfest has been well attended by our members over the years, and a few have walked away with some major prizes! Mark your calendars now for this great event.

Year: 2009

Balance from 2008 \$648.85

Bob Schrader  
AA9GZ  
Treasurer

**M & M Amateur Radio Club**

Savings Account \$395.17

Checking Account \$970.98

Credits to date \$2,365.10

Debits to date \$2,042.97

Total Club Assets \$1,366.15

Balance on hand \$970.98

Opening Bal	648.85	680.85	927.85	827.85	1,308.85	1,494.85	1,494.85	(0.48)	44.08	389.08	496.28	970.98	
Credits	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Totals
Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	510.00	135.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00		945.00
DX Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Merchandise Sold	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Meals Collected	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	174.00	0.00	0.00	195.10		369.10
VE Exams	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	45.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		45.00
Auction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	107.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		107.00
Raffle	32.00	0.00	0.00	36.00	51.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		154.00
Members Dues	0.00	247.00	0.00	27.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	45.00	120.00	306.00		745.00
Subtotal	32.00	247.00	0.00	573.00	186.00	45.00	35.00	281.00	345.00	120.00	501.10		2,365.10
<b>Debits</b>													
Repeater	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1375.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		1375.00
Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
J & S Electronics	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		120.00
Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00	42.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26.40		68.40
DAR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	68.97	0.00	12.80	0.00		81.77
VE Exams	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	45.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		45.00
Restaurant Meals	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16.87	167.47	0.00	0.00	0.00		184.34
Merchandise	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00
Misc Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	18.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		68.46
DX Contributions	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		100.00
Subtotal	0.00	0.00	100.00	92.00	0.00	45.00	1530.33	236.44	0.00	12.80	26.40		2042.97
<b>Closing Bal</b>	680.85	927.85	827.85	1,308.85	1,494.85	1,494.85	(0.48)	44.08	389.08	496.28	970.98		

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