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: Eric Janssen KG9GH Vice President: Pete Johnson, AB9PJ Treasurer: Mike Lemke, KD8FUE Secretary: Jim Callow K8IR

The MMARC Newsletter

November, 2018

CLUB CALENDAR...

Nov. 8 VE Session NWTC 5PM Nov. 8 Club meeting NWTC 7PM Nov. 10th Ham Breakfast 9AM George Webb's

Dec. 13th Club meeting NWTC 7PM

NOVEMBER MEETING...

We will meet at 7pm Thursday November 8th at NWTC. We will meet in room MNSC101P located at the front of the campus west of the main entrance. We hope to see you there. There will be a VE Session at 5pm in the same room if you or anyone you know wants to take a license test.

K8BKA SK...

We sadly note the passing of Kurt Berge, K8BKA on October 10th at the age of 97. Kurt was first licensed and joined the club in the mid 1950's. He served several terms as President in the 1960's and 1970's. He was elected a life member on the occasion of the Club's 50th anniversary in 2000.



K8BKA (right) receives a Certificate of Appreciation in February, 2015

Kurt was a familiar sight at club meetings well into his 90's. Kurt was extremely active in the community, and worked at the Menominee Post Office from 1951 to 1984.

It was no accident that QSL cards with a only a call sign and "Menominee" found their way to the intended recipient. Kurt is survived by

intended recipient. Kurt is survived by seven children, many grandchildren, and one great great granddaughter. Our condolences to his family.

SCIENCE DAY...



The Science Day event at Stephenson Public Library in Marinette was held on Nov. 3. Among many activities for youth to enjoy and participate in was the room for ham radio. One of the ham radio displays was devoted to Echolink communications covered by Ed KG8CX.

We made contact with youth from Wales, South Africa, Florida, and Pennsylvania. Many youth and parents attended the event which ran from 1 to 3pm. Other ham displays which allowed hands on experience were directed and explained by Lloyd W9LEG, Eric KG9GH, Doug KD8OVR and Gayle W9GCG. This was the 3rd year that we had a ham radio display as one of the many stations for kids to enjoy and participate in. Lloyd is pictured at left with the Raspberry Pi demo.

NEW WEBSITE UNDER DEVELOPMENT...

If you haven't already, check out the new club website at W8PIF.COM. Steve, K9STT has been working to update the site for our 501c3 efforts. It is a work in progress. If you have any questions or suggestions, let Steve know.

TIME FOR DUES...

It's time to pay dues, which are \$20 per year for single memberships or \$30 for family memberships. I you haven't already done so, you can pay at a club meeting or mail your check to the club PO Box.

MINUTES OF THE MARINETTE AND MENOMINEE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OCTOBER 11, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by President Eric Janssen, KG9GH. Members related their radio activities.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Bruce, N9CON, second by Pete, AB9PJ that the minutes of the September meeting be approved. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Mike, KD8FUE reported an ending balance of \$1742.61.

Motion by Pete, AB9PJ second by Bruce, N9CON to spend up to \$50 for flowers for Kurt Berge's (K8BKA) Funeral.

Communications : The Fox Cities Swapfest will be November $4^{\rm th}$ at the Monarch Gardens in Appleton.

The DAR is looking for communications for their DA SANTA SPEEDO Run/Walk on December 8th. Cal will coordinate.

Net Report: KG8CX reported about 20 check-ins weekly. New net control volunteers are sought. DAR Report: Ed, KG8CX has retired as a radio room volunteer. Thanks to Ed for his 13 years of service. Cal, K1SGW is taking over from Ed. I you can help, contact Cal. Cal donated money for an IC7300 for the DAR.

Quartermaster Report: The inventory needs to be updated.

Repeater Report: Pete, AB9PJ reported Yaesu's upgrade to Fusion Repeaters to allow linking to other Fusion Repeaters costs \$500 until the end of the year. It is not free. A motion by Steve, K9STT, seconded by Pete, AB9PJ to proceed with the upgrade was defeated 3-9.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cal reported the elections committee needed phone numbers. Eric provided a list. The election will be in December.

Science Day at Stephenson Public Library is Saturday November 3rd from 1 to 3 pm. Doug, KD8OVR is heading the effort.

NEW BUSINESS

Cal asked if we should do license classes. Doug, KD8OVR volunteered to start classes in the winter.

Will, WA9BUD and Cal, K1SGW won the raffle for tickets to the Fox Valley Swap Meet.

Doug, KD8OVR, and Mike, KD8FUE presented a program on the recent ARES/RACES AUXCOM class held recently in Manistique.

Motion by AC8IO, seconded by K1SGW to adjourn passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:43pm.

Those in attendance: K8IR, KG9GH, K9STT, KD8FUE, KG8CX, N9CON, K1SGW, AB9PJ, David Bohnert Guest, KB7KZ/8, G.P. Paulson, Guest, Murf Dupler, Guest, KD8OVR, W9GCG, W9LEG, AC8IO.

Submitted by Jim Callow, K8IR, Secretary

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