

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: Steve Mellenthin K9STT
Treasurer: Mike Lemke, KD8FUE
Secretary: John Goldschmidt N9GLT
Officers at Large: Doug Dooley KD8OVR

The MMARC Newsletter

January 2023

CLUB CALENDAR...

Jan 12 Club Meeting inVenture North 7p
Jan 14 After Christmas Dinner
Whistle Stop 5p
Feb 9 Club Meeting inVenture North 7p

CLUB MEETING...

This month's meeting is Thursday January 12 at 7pm at inVenture North. 1320 Main Street in Marinette. We hope to see you there.



Come and enjoy a great dinner and evening with fellow hams at our annual "After Christmas Dinner Saturday January 14th at 5pm! We'll have family-style chicken & meatballs, soup & salad bar, and the great fun of our "white elephant" gift exchange! Bring a gag gift to play along! \$16 per person includes dinner, tax, and tip! You can RSVP and pay for the After Christmas Dinner at w8pif.com.



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MEMBERSHIP**

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With the new year it's time to renew your membership, which can be simple done on the w8pif.com website. Dues are \$20 for an individual, \$30 for a family membership. There is a \$1 fee for paying online.

FROM THE ARRL

More Amateur Radio Astronauts Head for the International Space Station

01/06/2023

Three of the four new astronauts on February's planned launch of the SpaceX Crew-6 mission to the International Space Station (ISS) are amateur radio operators.

Pilot Warren "Woody" Hoburg, KB3HTZ; Commander Stephen Bowen, KI5BKB, and Mission Specialist Sultan Al Neyadi, KI5VTV, will join Mission Specialist Andrey Fedyaev on board the SpaceX Dragon spacecraft, Endeavour.

The spacecraft will be atop a Falcon 9 rocket and, while a launch date has not been selected, the earliest date would be mid-February 2023.

All crew members have learned about [Amateur Radio on the International Space Station \(ARISS\)](#), received guidance on studying and testing, and learned how to operate the ARISS radios and the basics of on-the-air protocol from ARISS team members at NASA's Johnson Space Center.

The crew will be able to participate in ARISS, using the ham radio station on the ISS to contact schools and other educational institutions.

ARISS is a cooperative venture of international amateur radio societies and the space agencies that support the ISS. In the US, participating organizations include NASA, the ISS National Lab, [ARRL](#) The National Association for Amateur Radio®, and AMSAT.

Marinette & Menominee Amateur Radio Club
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
Thursday December 8, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm at inVenture North in Marinette by club president Steve Mellenthin, K9STT. Motion to approve the November meeting minutes was made by Mike Lemke, KD8FUE and seconded by Larry Buchholz, N9OSF. The motion was accepted and carried.

Treasures Report: KD8FUE reported a balance at the end of November of \$6,586.21.

Correspondence: KD8FUE received a \$270.00 invoice for the 147.000 repeater tower rental.

Committee Reports

Property Report: None

ARES Report: KD8FUE reported he was notified the grant for a new generator for the communications trailer has been approved. Pinecrest is ready to set a date for us to check out the roof for locating an antenna. Menominee County is looking at alternate locations for the EOC. Two new members have been added to the roster.

Fundraiser Report: Nothing to report.

DAR report: The DAR radio room is currently shut down. There might be an opportunity to open up the radio room in January by sharing the room with another program.

Yacht Report: Ed Engleman, KG8CX reported about 71 new members have joined this year. The group is doing well.

Webmaster Report: K9STT reported he had done a lot of updates to the website in the past week.

ARRL Report: K9STT reported we are current with ARRL. He is planning on filing an update with them this month.

New Business

After Christmas Dinner: The Club's after Christmas dinner will be held Saturday January 14th at the Whistle Stop north of Menominee. We will gather at 5 pm and eat at 6 pm. The meal will consist of a salad bar and family style chicken and meat balls. The cost is \$16/person. There will again be a white elephant gift exchange following the dinner.

InVenture North Gift: Members discussed making a donation to inVenture North again next year for allowing us to host our club activities at their location. Motion to give a gift of \$200 to inVenture North was made by Paul Sorensen, NS8V and seconded by Doug Dooley, KD8OVR. The motion was accepted and carried.

Club Dues Increase: Members discussed fixed club costs and dues. Motion was made by KD8OVR to table the topic until summer and seconded by NS8V. The motion was accepted and carried.

Nominations Committee Report: Shannon Lefebvre, KD9RYZ and K9STT reported they have nominations to fill all of club the positions except for the President. Nominations will be taken from the floor at the January meeting.

Old Business

444.075 Amplifier: K9STT reported there was no new information at this time.

Communications Trailer Mast: The mast has been delivered and is currently being stored in the garage at the radio station.

Property Audit: Audit is due next month.

Announcements

K9STT announced he was redoing his will and the club would be a beneficiary.

K9STT reported the 444.075 repeater is completely down and the FTM-100 radio is at Yaesu for repairs.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by NS8V and seconded by KD8FUE. The motion was accepted and carried. Meeting ended at 7:38 pm

8 members present: N9GLT, K9STT, KD8OVR, KD8FUE, KG8CX, KD9RYZ, NS8V and N9OSF.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
John Goldschmidt – Secretary

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