

UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



HAM OF THE YEAR
W8OWN GEORGE ROUMAN
BIG RAPIDS MI

HAM OF THE MONTH
N8IMU HAL BEKKALA
LAURIUM MI

JANUARY 2015

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Well here we are in January, the start of a new year. What will the New Year bring? Let's hope we can keep the lower fuel prices for awhile. That would be a good new year present. For old people the government said it cost 1.7 percent more to live this last year so we a got a raise in our SS. Then they took some away by raising the cost of Medicare. So does that insure us a raise for next year? That will be one of those wait and see items.

December was a bad month for us. We lost two net participants, W8AT, John, AA8XO, Dave, and Bob N8BNC lost his son. Condolences all around to the families.

Of course New Years brings resolution time, made any yet? How about get one new person interested in the hobby and licensed. Or maybe learn a digital mode, or explore SDR radios, and there is always learn CW if you do not use it now. That is the nice thing about our hobby, always something new to explore. For me it will be to get some of the "collection" checked out and on the air. A lot of good "boat anchors" in the shack that need to be brought to life.

Well no matter what you choose to do in the New Year, do it safely and most importantly have fun doing it!!!!!!

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NET STATS

NOVEMBER 2013 CHECKINS 1395 TRAFFIC 50

NOVEMBER 2014 CHECKINS 1050 TRAFFIC 45

HIGH TRAFFIC NOVEMBER WB8VOF 2

HIGH CHECKINS KC8ZMN 38

BIRTHDAYS
AND
ANNIVERSARIES

January 2015

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 DAVE N8DP	9	10 K8GOU & FLORENCE
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 N8HLH & XYL	21	22 NK8V & LYN	23 W8OWN GEORGE K8NYT STAN	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 CINDI N8JSI	31

EXAMS

01/03/2015 | Mount Clemens MI 48043-2217 Sponsor: SAROF

Location: Mt. Clemens Salvation Army Corps (rear entrance)

Time: 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

01/10/2015 | Wyandotte MI 48192-9999 Sponsor: Motor City Radio Club

Location: Glenwood Methodist Church **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

01/17/2015 | Ionia MI 48846-8512 Sponsor: ICARPSC **Location: Ionia Central**

Dispatch Time: 6:00 PM (No walk-ins)

01/21/2015 | Prescott MI 48756-9108 Sponsor: **Location: Mills Township Hall**

Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

01/24/2015 | Allegan MI 49010-1524 Sponsor: Allegan County ARC

Location: Allegan General Hospital - Basement Cafeteria **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

01/24/2015 | Houghton MI 49931-1200 Sponsor: Husky ARC **Location: Fisher**

Hall Room 325 Time: 12:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

01/24/2015 | Kalamazoo MI 49001-4156 Sponsor: Kalamazoo ARC

Location: Kalamazoo County Sheriff Dept **Time:** 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

01/31/2015 | Sault Sainte Marie MI 49783-82 Sponsor: Eastern Upper Peninsula

AR Location: Faith Lutheran Church **Time:** 10:15 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

- **02/07/2015 | Mount Clemens MI 48043-2217 Sponsor: SAROF**
Location: Mt. Clemens Salvation Army Corps (rear entrance)
Time: 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

**02/07/2015 | Muskegon MI 49440-1225 Sponsor: Muskegon Area ARC
Location: Red Cross Building Time: 9:00 AM (No walk-ins)**

HAMFEST

- **01/11/2015 | Hazel Park ARC Swap Location: Hazel Park, MI
Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://hparc.org>**

**02/07/2015 | HARA Swap and Shop Location: Negaunee, MI
Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association
Website: <http://www.qsl.net/k8lod/>**

**02/14/2015 | 42nd Annual Amateur Radio Swap & Shop Location: Traverse
City, MI Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Cherryland Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.cherrylandarc.com>**

**02/15/2015 | Livonia ARC Swap-N-Shop Location: Livonia, MI
Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Livonia Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.livoniaarc.com/index.php?page=swapshop>**

SILENT KEYS.....

During the month of December we lost two of our U.P. net participants.

David Burns, AA8XO of Charlevoix passed away December 15. He was 70 years old.

Dave graduated from NMU and had worked as a school teacher and at the Big Rock Nuclear Plant, and for the last 15 years as an I.T at Boyne Mountain. Dave was also a Master Handwriting Analyst for 35 years. He married Marsy, who was from Ironwood, in 1969. Dave had been a ham for 50 years and held any Extra Class License.

John Akkala, W8AT of Marquette passed away December 26. John had celebrated his 100th birthday on November 25. Having lived 100 years

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THIS IS AN OLD NET CHECK LIST THAT CHUCK, WA8UCS SENT TO AILEEN. A LOT OF CALLS ON HERE I DO NOT RECOGNIZE, HOW ABOUT YOU? TWO MORE PAGES NEXT MONTH

WA8UCS

U.P. NET CHECKLIST

UPDATED (9/24/88)

UPEN NET OFFICERS

MANAGER-WABDHB ASST MANAGER-WABMVH HAM OF THE MONTH CHAIRPERSON-WBJXJ

UPEN NET CONTROLS

M-WDBLHT T-NBAFZ W-WBAT R-K8GXV F-N8BNC SA-WDBMJJB

SUN@12-WABMVH SUN@5-WB8SYA ALTERNATES-WDBREC-W8NGH-KC8TU-N8HBZ-KA8TRV

UPEN QMN REPS

WB8SYA W8EOI W8NI KABVOZ WDBPAF K6HAP

-W8GPP-KACQVH-WABDHB

UPEN MTN REPS

M&SA-K8GXV T-WABDHB W-WDBMJJB R-WABMVH F-WABDHB-WABMVH SU-WABMVH

AAAAAAAAAA			KD0CI	KENNY	ONAMIA MN
KW8A	PAT	CLARE	N8CJJ	TOM	ALLEN
N8ABT	STEVE	OTISVILLE	N8CNY	DAVE	LANSING
NBAFZ	BILL	BARK RIVER	W8CPY	LED	MACKINAC CITY
KA9AIV	AL	GREEN BAY WI	N8CSE	JERRY	COVINGTON
WDBALP	GEORGE	GREENVILLE	W8CSO	ROY	GRAND HAVEN
WDBANB	HAL	HUBBLE	N8CTI	STEVE	COLDWATER
W8BANP	KIETH	ITHACA WI	W8BCUP	FRANZ	ROSCOMMON
W8BAPN	BOB	SHEPHARD	K8BCVE	DON	NAUBINWAY
W8BARO	RALPH	GRAND BLANC	W8BCVH	RON	NORTHVILLE
W8BASA	GARY	MARQUETTE	KD8CW	LEE	ST IGNACE
WBAT	JOHN	MARQUETTE	N8CWN	TOM	TRAVERSE CITY
K8ATX	LES	BESSEMER	W88CZB	MIKE	DRUMMOND IS
N8AY	MORT	HARBOR SPRINGS	K8CZO	MARY JANE	MARQUETTE
BBBBBBBBBB			K8CZO	MIKE	BIG RAPIDS
NT9B	DAN	MARINETTE	DDDDDDDDDD		
WD9BCH	JOHN	WISC RAPIDS WI	W9DB	DAN	MADISON
W8BBN	NELS	REED CITY	W8DCD	ARNE	TROUT CREEK
N8BIF	TERRY	HARVEY	W9DCN	BRIAN	LAKE IN THE HILLS IL
K8BLL	AL	STEVENSVILLE	W8BDHB	AILEEN	KIPLING
K8BMH	PAUL	PORT AUSTIN	N8DHL	PAT	CHARLEVOIX
K8BBMY	MIKE	STERLING HGTS	KE8DI	BILL	PETOSKEY
N8BNC	BOB	LANSE	W8DLO	KEN	SOO
W8BDA	DEAN	IRONWOOD	W8BDOI	KEN	SAGINAW
W8BP	JOHN	MARQUETTE	W8BDON	NOEL	MARQUETTE
W8BVP	AL	ESCANABA	W8DQB	LEN	CALUMET
KE8BW	MEL	LAKE CITY	W8DQO	JERRY	GRAND RAPIDS
N8BWN	JIM	SOO	N8DQU	JIM	WEST BRANCH
W8BZY	SCOTTY	BESSEMER	W9DRP	FRANK	CARBONDALE IL
CCCCCCCCCC			KD8DU	WALLY	ST JOE
NN8C	DENNIS	ST LOUIS MO	K8DUU	BOB	GRAND LEDGE
W8CAP	TONY	DWOSO	K8DWC	KEN	WILLIAMSBURG
W8CBH	BILL	ROCKFORD	K8DXR	BRUNO	RHINELANDER WI
W9CCQ	DAN	ELMHURST IL	EEEEEEEEEE		
W8CCY	LARRY	PRESQUE ISLE	NX8E	GARY	HOLLAND
K8CED	MIKE	NEWBERRY	W8EIB	DELLA	MCMILLAN
W8CEU	DON	FREDERIC	KA9EIZ	DALE	SPRING ARBOR
K8BCH	BOB	ROCKFORD	KE8EK	ED	GRAND MARAIS
K8CHS	TOM	ALPENA	K8BEM	DINKY	ISHPEMING

N8END	GEORGE	TAYLOR	N8GYS	FLOYD	CHARLOTTE
WB8E0H	GARY	MARQUETTE	N8GZD	RAY	BRECKINRIDGE
WBEOI	WILL	PALMER	W8GZF	JOHN	EAST TAWAS
N8EPZ	HERMAN	PELSTON	W9GZZ	JOHN	CRYSTAL FALLS
K8EQO	SQUIRE	GRAND RAPIDS	HHHHHHHHHH		
K9ERO	JIM	HKA BAY	NT8H	JOE	SENEY
N8ETO	JACKIE	EAU CLAIRE WI	NZ8H	GEORGE	TRAVERSE CITY
VE3EUI	DENNY	SOO CANADA	K6HAP	WALLY	HUBBELL
K8BEVM	JOHN	TRAVERSE CITY	N8HBA	DON	HURON BEACH
N8EXX	CHUCK	HIGGINS LAKE	N8HBT	IRENE	PELLSTON
WB8EYM	DON	KALKASKA	N8HBZ	JIM	MANCELONA
FFFFFFFFFF			KD8HC	ARCHIE	INTERLOCKEN
N8FDL	HERMAN	WATTON	N8HDL	DON	HURON BEACH
W9FEW	TONY	NIAGARA WI	NSHEE	JEFF	CHARLOTTE
N8FFP	RESTI	BERRIEN SPRINGS	WA4HEI	PETE	THOMPSON
N8FHF	HOWARD	CALUMET	W8HFS	JAY	CRYSTAL FALLS
K88FK	SCOTT	LAKE ORION	N8HHH	WAYNE	WYOMING
N8FPN	JOHN	TROY	K8HHZ	GUS	MASS CITY
WB8FRP	GARY	CURTIS+OHIO	N8HLH	JOE	MARQUETTE
W8FSZ	SCUTT	SHERIDAN	W8HNG	JAY	BELLAIR
WB8FUV	EVERETT	TRAVERSE CITY	KE8HP	BILL	TRAVERSE CITY
W8FXQ	BOB	TWIN LAKES	W88HQ5	DON	FT WAYNE IN
W8FXR	JERRY	SPARTA	N4HRS	JAKE	LUDINGTON
N8FYK	STEVEN	ALMA	W8HTK	JIM	ESCANABA
GGGGGGGGGG			N8HVT	GEORGE	ISHPEMING
KT9G	MARY	GERMANTOWN WI	N8HWO	MORRIS	BATTLE CREEK+EMPIRE
KW8G	RALPH	BRIGHTON	N8HXG	RALPH	ISHPEMING
NK8G	AL	SENEY	K8HYE	EDGAR	TRAVERSE CITY
N8GFJ	FRED	BRECKINRIDGE	W8HYQ	JACK	ONTONAGDN
W88GJD	GREG	ISHPEMING	W7HZO	BILL	WATTON
N8GMJ	ED	ZEELAND	I I I I I I I I I		
N8GNF	STEVE	GRAND HAVEN	KT9I	DALE	PENCE WI
N8GOH	WALTER	GLADSTONE	W8BI	ANGIE	WETMORE
WA9GOM	FRANK	SOUTH HOLLAND IL	WD9IBM	JIM	WASHINGTON IL
K8GOU	VAN	GREENVILLE	W8IBT	DEBBIE	MANISTIQUE
N8GPM	TOM	HANCOCK	N8ICR	JOHN	SPRING LAKE
N8GPO	STEVE	LAKE LINDEN	W8IFI	JIM	CRYSTAL FALLS
W8GPP	SKEETER	LOUISTON	K8IJD	BILL	MONTAQUE
N8GPW	GEORGE	HALE	K8IJQ	BERNIE	ESCANABA
N8GRM	KEN	WHITE PINE	KE8IL	MIKE	HARVEY
W8GRZ	ED	WOLVERINE	KK4IL	VERN	WATERSMEET
W9GSV	LOUIE	WEST ALLIS WI	W8IOC	GEORGE	ISHPEMING
K88GT	LARRY	GRAND LEDGE	K8IRC	BART	PENGILLY MN
WD8GUF	JERRY	VIRGINIA MN	K9ISQ	RAY	DUNDEE IL
K8GUG	BILL	TOPINABEE	K8IUN	PAUL	HILLMAN
W8GVS	IKE	NORTHPORT	N8IVA	DWAYNE	HIGGINS LAKE
N8GWM	BRUCE	ESCANABA	W8IZE	JOHN	ATLANTA
N8GWN	JIM	GAYLORD	W8IZS	TOM	PELLSTON
N8GWP	JERRY	FAIRVIEW	JJJJJJJJJJ		
K8GXV	ERNIE	BESSEMER	KX8J	MARTY	KALAMAZOO

U. P. NET MEMBER PROFILEEdited by Al, K8BLL

LEE ANDERSON, WB8FUW
GLADSTONE, MICHIGAN

LEE WAS BORN IN ESCANABA, MICHIGAN, IN 1952 AND, FOLLOWING GRADUATION FROM GLADSTONE HIGH SCHOOL, HE TOOK COURSES IN ELECTRICITY AND ELECTRONICS AT BAY DE NOC COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

NOW RETIRED, HE HAD A VARIED CAREER AS A MACHINIST WORKING FOR HARNISCHFEGER AND EATON CORPORATIONS, NORTHERN MOTOR REBUILDERS, A CONTRACTOR SERVICES COMPANY AS WELL AS OCCASIONAL WORK AS A RAILROAD WELDER. LEE'S WIFE, VERNA, IS FROM THE SOO HILL AREA OF ESCANABA AND ATTENDED ESCANABA HIGH SCHOOL.

MENTORED BY K8TNZ, AL SALMI, LEE RECEIVED HIS NOVICE LICENSE WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL. A BIOLOGY TEACHER, AL TAUGHT NOVICE CLASSES AT GLADSTONE HIGH AFTER REGULAR CLASSES.

LEE ENJOYS PLAYING GUITAR, SHORT WAVE LISTENING, FISHING, INCLUDING ICE FISHING, AS WELL AS MAKING ANTENNAS. HE ALSO IS ACTIVE AT HIS CHURCH, MAKING PASTIES, SETTING UP AUDIO VISUAL EQUIPMENT, AND HELPING OUT THE MIDDLE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS TEACHER.

LEE'S HAM SHACK FEATURES AN ICOM IC-701 HF TRANSCEIVER AND A YAESU FT-2900 75W TWO-METER TRANSCEIVER. FOR SHORT WAVE LISTENING, HE HAS A REALISTIC DX-160 AND A DX-400 PORTABLE SWL RECEIVER. OTHER GEAR INCLUDES A HALLICRAFTERS HT-40 AM TRANSMITTER AND A RADIO SHACK HTX-202 2M HANDHELD.

ANTENNAS INCLUDE AN 80 METER INVERTED VEE AT 67 FEET, A 160 METER DIPOLE AT 30 FEET, A 40 METER DIPOLE AND A MOSLEY TA-33 4-ELEMENT BEAM READY TO HOISTED TO 35 FEET THIS SPRING. LEE HAS ALSO BUILT RAMSEY QRP KITS FOR AM OPERATION ON 160 METERS AT 1880 KHZ. HE ALSO WORKS WITH COMPUTER PRINTING AND PHOTO PROGRAMS AS WELL AS GOOGLE EARTH FOR ILRP (INTERNET RADIO LINKING PROJECT) MAPPING.

Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river.

~Nikita Khrushchev, Russian Soviet politician

John had a very full life. He had lived in Marquette most of his life. He had served as a radio operator on the great lakes for four years. He worked for Lake Shore Inc. for 36 years and retired in 1977. John played the trumpet in the high school band and many other bands in the area after his high school days. After his retirement in 1977 he taught himself to play the electric organ.

John was a member of the Masonic Lodge and held many positions in that organization during his life time, and was their organist for many years.

John was licensed as an Amateur Radio Operator in 1931, that's 83 years! He held an Extra Class License as well as a FCC Commercial License with a First Class Endorsement. He had served as a Net Control on the Upper Peninsula Net and was a very active Ham. He was an excellent CW operator and could really make a key sing.

Both of these gentlemen will be missed by the Amateur Radio Community.



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