

UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



HAM OF THE YEAR
W8OWN GEORGE ROUMAN
BIG RAPIDS MI

HAM OF THE MONTH
AC8PI JUSTIN GULDER
PICKFORD MI

APRIL 2015

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April showers brings May flowers. The question is what kind of showers will they be, rain or snow. Let's hope for rain. I now have bare ground at my house and could get along very nicely without seeing it white again. I have a lot of leaves left from last Fall to get rid of.

Aileen wanted me to pass along this information. You can get a directory of all the hams in the U.P. at this website; www.kcra-mi.net. They have it broke down in several different sorts, it is kind of interesting to look at.

I was surprised when I put together the Hamfet announcements for this issue. No Hamfest in April, if some group is thinking of starting one April might be the month. The Cadillac Hamfset is coming up on Saturday May 2nd. The Upper Peninsula Net will have at meeting at 10:00 a.m., hope to see a lot of you there. The next Saturday is the swap in Chassell, and I hope to take that one in, a good reason to visit the U.P. while gas is still relative inexpensive. So I hope to see some of you at both or at least one of these swaps.

UPPER PENINSULA NET WEBSITE www.michupnet.com

NET STATS

FEBRUARY 2014 CHECKINS 1200 TRAFFIC 45

FEBRUARY 2015 CHECKINS 1050 TRAFFIC 43

HIGH TRAFFIC FEBRUARY W8WR 4

HIGH CHECKINS W8WR 40

April 2015

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<i>12</i>	<i>13 KA9YIU GLENN KC9LHB MIKE</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17 WD8PRW DON</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22 K8ZJU BEVERLY</i>	<i>23 GAIL XYL OF KD9TZ</i>	<i>24 WB8IEH & AGNES</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>26 K8MXC BOB</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28 WA8THK PERRY WA8DHB AILEN NS8V PAUL</i>	<i>29 K8SKY SKYE</i>	<i>30 W8GEP GRANT</i>		

EXAMS

• **04/02/2015 | Lansing MI 48911-5322 Sponsor:** Ingham County VE Group **Location:** Lansing Fire Station #44 (Community Room) **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/04/2015 | Muskegon MI 49440-1225 Sponsor: Muskegon Area ARC **Location:** Red Cross Building
Time: 9:00 AM (No walk-ins)

04/07/2015 | Oak Park MI 48237-2085 Sponsor: Hazel Park ARC **Location:** Oak Park Community Center **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/11/2015 | Ann Arbor MI 48108-1516 Sponsor: ARROW Communications Assoc.
Location: American Red Cross Building **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/11/2015 | Big Rapids MI 49307-2736 Sponsor: Big Rapid AARC **Location:** Ferris State University
Time: 4:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/11/2015 | Charlotte MI 48813-1031 Sponsor: Eaton County ARC **Location:** Eaton Cty Sheriff's Dept-EOC **Time:** 12:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/11/2015 | Holland MI 49423-3407 Sponsor: Holland ARC **Location:** American Red Cross
Time: 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/11/2015 | Port Huron MI 48060-4014 Sponsor: Eastern Michigan ARC **Location:** St Clair County Library **Time:** 10:00 AM (No walk-ins)

04/15/2015 | Prescott MI 48756-9108 Sponsor: **Location:** Mills Township Hall **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/18/2015 | Flint MI 48507 Sponsor: The KT8Q & W8ACW VE Teams **Location:** Baker College of Flint-Tech Center **Time:** 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/18/2015 | Ionia MI 48846-8512 Sponsor: ICARPSC **Location:** Ionia Central Dispatch
Time: 6:00 PM (No walk-ins)

04/18/2015 | Jackson MI 49204-9999 Sponsor: Cascades ARS **Location:** Jackson District Library
Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/19/2015 | Saint Joseph MI 49085-8615 Sponsor: NQ8A Testing Group **Location:** Church of Christ
Time: 12:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/23/2015 | Battle Creek MI 49017-4867 Sponsor: SMARS**Location:** Maple United Methodist Church
Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/23/2015 | Owosso MI 48867-9999 Sponsor: Corunna VE Team **Location:** Baker College Welcome Center **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/25/2015 | Alma MI 48801-1504 Sponsor: Alma College **Location:** Alma College
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

04/25/2015 | South Lyon MI 48178 Sponsor: South Lyon Area ARC **Location:** Witch's Hat Depot
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

05/02/2015 | Cadillac MI 49601-1824 Sponsor: Wexaukee ARC/Cadillac Hamfest
Location: Cadillac Junior High School **Time:** 10:30 AM (No walk-ins)

05/02/2015 | Mount Clemens MI 48043-2217 Sponsor: SAROF **Location:** Mt. Clemens Salvation Army Corps (rear entrance) **Time:** 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

05/05/2015 | Dearborn MI 48124-3958 Sponsor: Ford Amt Radio League K8UTT
Location: Ford Motor Company-Building 1 Conference Room 1GG099 **Time:** 11:00 AM (No walk-ins)

HAMFEST

- **05/02/2015 | Cadillac Hamfest Location:** Cadillac, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Wexaukee Amateur Radio Club **Website:** <http://www.wexaukeearc.org/>

05/09/2015 | CCRAA - KCRA Hamfest Location: Chassell, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Copper Country Radio Amateur Assn. & Keweenaw County Repeater Assn.
Website: <http://kcra-mi.net/>

1. Johnny 's mother had three children. The first child was named April. The second child was named May. What was the third child's name?

Answer: Johnny of course.

2. There is a clerk at the butcher shop, he is five feet ten inches tall, and he wears size 13 sneakers. What does he weigh?

Answer: Meat.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE UPPER PENINSULA?

1. This product is manufactured in two places in the U.P. and is found in schools, colleges, and professional sports arenas around the country?
2. This product played a major part in the D-Day invasion and was manufactured in the U.P.?
3. One of the most heavily guard places in the U.S. during WWII?
4. There is a myth that this U.P. city almost became the capitol of Michigan?
5. What was the first proposed route of a bridge joining the Upper and Lower Peninsulas of Michigan?
6. Oldest city in the State of Michigan?
7. This city is home of the famous Stormy Kromer hat?
8. What are the names of the two newest mines in the U.P.?
9. What U.P. city is farther west then St. Louis MO?
10. How many State Universities are located in the U.P.?

Scoring 10 of 10 Born in the U.P. or have learned a lot about it
9 to 7 Visited the U.P. many times and paid attention when Yoopers
Speak
6 to 4 Study Michigan history
3 to 0 Take your first trip across the bridge if you can find it

ANSWERS ON LAST PAGE

Two More Radio Amateurs Join International Space Station Crew

03/28/2015

The ISS ham radio population expanded to three, following the arrival of NASA astronaut Scott Kelly and Russian cosmonauts Mikhail Kornienko, RN3BF, and Gennady Padalka, RN3DT, on March 28 (UTC). Kelly, 51, and Kornienko, 54, will remain aboard the ISS for 1 year — the longest space mission ever assigned to a NASA astronaut.

Utah Group Puts Broadband-Hamnet to Work for Food Project

4/01/2015

A small band of Amateur Radio volunteers in Utah's Salt Lake Valley successfully used a broadband WiFi network set up on the 2.4 GHz amateur band to help coordinate the Boy Scouts of America's "Scouting for Food" project on March 21. In which Scouts collect items donated to a food bank. Local radio amateurs provide both voice and digital mode communication.

This year for the first time they used a **Broadband-Hamnet™** (BBHN) system that coupled modified wireless router gear on amateur frequencies to create a peer-to-peer WiFi network to share audio and video over a generous patch of real estate. BBHN is a descendent of the former ARRL High Speed Multimedia (HSMM) Working Group **efforts**, earlier known as the "Hinternet" and pioneered by John Champa, K8OCL (SK), and others in the early 2000s.

"[W]e would call it WiFi on Steroids!" said David Bauman, KF7MCF. The Utah hams linked 13 nodes across the valley to form a network "that is like a mini private Internet," Bauman explained. "They then used this network to send live video and audio back to the BSA Headquarters, showing them what was happening at food drop off sites and at the [truck dispatch] headquarters. Bauman called it "a huge step forward in technology from the old days of Morse Code." Retired clergyman Robert Jelf, KG7OHV, of Magna, headed up the team.

Just outside BSA Headquarters near the University of Utah, Brandon Bauman, KG7RWO, was able to watch via his laptop as volunteers miles away dropped off canned food items and as YRC freight dispatched trucks to pick-up sites around the valley. Brandon was part of an Amateur Radio group that assists the Boy Scouts in the Scouting for Food Project each year by providing communications. This marked the first time BBHN technology was used to support the project in the Salt Lake Valley. Their WiFi network, known as a wireless mesh network, was able to cover a large portion of the valley.

"The farthest point from our hub site was 8.5 miles across the city through a narrow path lined with lots of manmade objects for signals to bounce off," Jelf said. "While the mesh group was used to show video of the dispatch of trucks and of truck trailers at collection points within the hub site path, collection took place throughout the Wasatch Front area and elsewhere in Utah."



Ron, K9GEC passed away in January of 2014. Aileen just received this obituary. Ron is greatly missed on the U.P. Net

Ronald J Krzysiak

Ronald Joseph Krzysiak, of Antigo, died unexpectedly Saturday, January 25, 2014 at his home. He was 72 years old. He was born on July 28, 1941 in Antigo, a son of the late Joseph and Agnes (Wavrunek) Krzysiak.

He graduated from Antigo High School with the class of 1959.

Mr. Krzysiak served in the United States Navy from 1959 to 1962, having been stationed in Adak, Alaska during the Cuban Crisis.

Upon returning home for the service he moved to Green Bay. He married Marge (Siefert) Becks in 1967, the couple later divorced.

He was employed at Bell Telephone Company in Green Bay until his retirement in 1996. Following his retirement he returned to Antigo.

Mr. Krzysiak was an avid HAM Radio operator since age 15, having the call sign K9GEC. He loved to talk to his friends on the NET. He had an interest in model trains, enjoyed photography, and playing cards. He was a sportsman enjoying hunting and fishing and was an avid Green Bay Packer and Milwaukee Brewer fan.

An amateur inventor, he always had a project in "the works".

Survivors include two daughters, Roxann (Tom) Styczynski of Krakow, WI and Ami (Jerry) Gracyalny of Little Suamico, WI; 12 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; three sisters, Rita Rentmeester of Campbellsport, WI, Cynthia (John) Hammond of Taylor, WI and Kathryn (Steve) Rolling of Antigo; four brothers, Joseph (Jean) Krzysiak of Lake Havasu, AZ Gary (Laura) Krzysiak of Algoma, James Krzysiak of Antigo and John Krzysiak of Antigo.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a brother-in-law, Lewellyn Rentmeester.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at the Bradley Funeral Home with Rev. David Schmidt officiating. Visitation will be 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home.

Tributes

Herb Husnick wrote on Jan 28, 2014:

"Ron, sad to lose another classmate and also my cousin. We will not be able to make the funeral, but my condolences go to your family and all the cousins. Miss you, Herb and Kitty Husnick"

1. Hardwood basketball courts, manufactured by Horner Flooring Co. of Dollar Bay, and Connor Sport Court International of Amasa
2. The Ford Motor Company Kingsford plant turned out 4,190 WACO CG-4As, more than twice the number of gliders produced by any other company during the war.
3. Soo Locks
4. The myth is that in 1847 when the state legislature was picking a new capital for Michigan that Calumet lost by one vote. Why is this a myth, because in 1847 Calumet was not a big town, Calumet did not reach its well known status until the 1860's.
5. Cheboygan to Bois Blanc Island, to Round Island, to Mackinac Island, to St. Ignace
6. Sault Sainte Marie, found in 1668, oldest city in Michigan, third oldest in the U.S.A.
7. Ironwood. George Kromer was a railroad engineer. His wife made him the first hat.
8. Eagle Mine between Big Bay and L'anse and Copperwood near Wakefield
9. Ironwood
10. Michigan Technological University, Northern Michigan University, and Lake Superior University



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