

UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



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Here we are in the month of October, changing color, cool nights and trick or treat. As an extra bonus for October we have had some very improved band conditions, glad for that.

From the editor, if you are going to be working on your tower, be careful, think what you are doing, and do not get in a hurry. The life you save may be your own or someone who is helping you. Enough said.

As you know the newsletter is available either by mail or on the website. Those who receive it by mail pay \$15.00 a year to cover the cost of postage, paper, and printing. The website is not free, we pay \$100.00 a year to have a website with no advertising pop-ups or other annoying things. Some people have been making donations to cover the cost of the website and I thank them for this. In years past if I did not receive enough donations I made up the difference. Now that I have retired I will not be doing this. The bill for the website is due and I am 45 dollars short of covering the cost so I would like anyone who is getting the newsletter from the website to help out with a donation if they can. Thankyou.

Have a nice winter to any of the snowbirds who are leaving this month. If you have antenna projects to do, now is the time, but be careful!!

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NET STATS

AUG 2014 CHECKINS 1000 TRAFFIC 45

AUG 2015 CHECKINS 850 TRAFFIC 45

HIGH TRAFFIC 3 WA8DHB

HIGH CHECKINS 29 KC8ZMN

October 2015

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 <i>K8SKY & KATHY</i>
4 <i>CORKY XYL OF KC8TU</i>	5 <i>NANCY XYL OF N8GPW</i>	6	7	8 <i>HELEN XYL OF W8OWN KA8IQJ ED</i>	9	10 <i>W8SAX GERRY</i>
11	12	13 <i>WD8DCA & LEEANN</i>	14	15	16 <i>RITA XYL OF KC8JLC</i>	17 <i>KN8N & DONNA</i>
18 <i>WA8RNB LEE</i>	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 <i>W8RAE BOB</i>	26	27	28	29	30	31

EXAMS

10/06/2015 | Oak Park MI 48237-2085 Sponsor: Hazel Park ARC **Location:** Oak Park Community Center **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/09/2015 | Harrison Township MI 48045-348 Sponsor: L'Anse Creuse ARC **Location:** L'Anse Creuse High School **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/10/2015 | Ann Arbor MI 48108-1516 Sponsor: ARROW Communications Assoc. **Location:** American Red Cross Building **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/10/2015 | Charlotte MI 48813-1031 Sponsor: Eaton County ARC **Location:** Eaton Cty Sheriff's Dept-EOC **Time:** 12:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/10/2015 | Holland MI 49423-3407 Sponsor: Holland ARC **Location:** American Red Cross **Time:** 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

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

10/17/2015 | Flint MI 48507 Sponsor: The KT8Q & W8ACW VE Teams **Location:** Baker College of Flint-Tech Center **Time:** 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/17/2015 | Ionia MI 48846-8512 Sponsor: ICARPSC **Location:** Ionia Central Dispatch **Time:** 6:00 PM (No walk-ins)

10/17/2015 | Jackson MI 49204-9999 Sponsor: Cascades ARS **Location:** Jackson District Library **Time:** 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/17/2015 | Muskegon MI 49442-2835 Sponsor: Muskegon Color Tour Hamfest **Location:** Fellowship Reformed Church **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/21/2015 | Prescott MI 48756-9108 Sponsor: **Location:** Mills Township Hall **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/22/2015 | Battle Creek MI 49017-4867 Sponsor: SMARS **Location:** Maple United Methodist Church **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/22/2015 | Owosso MI 48867-9999 Sponsor: Corunna VE Team **Location:** Baker College Welcome Center **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

10/24/2015 | South Lyon MI 48178 Sponsor: South Lyon Area ARC **Location:** Witch's Hat Depot
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

11/01/2015 | Saint Joseph MI 49085-8615 Sponsor: NQ8A Testing Group **Location:** Church of Christ
Time: 12:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

11/07/2015 | Mount Clemens MI 48043-2217 Sponsor: SAROF **Location:** Mt. Clemens Salvation Army Corps (rear entrance) **Time:** 7:03 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

1/07/2015 | Traverse City MI 49686-3103 Sponsor: Cherryland ARC **Location:** Traverse City District Library **Time:** 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

HAMFEST

- **10/10/2015 | TBARC Swapmeet Location:** Alpena, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Thunder Bay Amateur Radio Club **Website:** <http://ThunderBayARC.org>
- 10/17/2015 | Muskegon Color Tour Hamfest Location:** Muskegon, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Muskegon County Emergency Communication Services, Inc.
Website: <http://muskegoncolortourhamfest.com/>
- 10/18/2015 | Kalamazoo HamFest 2015 Location:** Kalamazoo, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Kalamazoo Amateur Radio Club & Southwest Michigan Amateur Radio Team
Website: <http://KalamazooHamFest.com>
- 10/25/2015 | USECA's 2015 Swap & Shop Location:** Madison Heights, MI **Type:** ARRL Hamfest
Sponsor: Utica Shelby Emergency Communication Association
Website: <http://usecaarc.com>

An elderly woman died last month. Having never married, she requested no male pallbearers. In her handwritten instructions for her memorial service, she wrote, 'They wouldn't take me out while I was alive, I don't want them to take me out when I'm dead.'

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On the net we ask everyone to give their name and location when making their transmission. Some People are real good at this and some not so good. The purpose of this little quiz is to see how well you listen. Have Fun!!

MATCH THE CALL WITH A LOCATION

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|-----------|---------------------------------------------|
| ___K9RSK  | A. WASHINGTON ISLAND                        |
| ___WB8VOF | B. HOME IN CLARKSTON PORTABLE IN ALABASTOR  |
| ___KD8KCV | C. GREENVILLE                               |
| ___KD8CPG | D. KIPLING                                  |
| ___K8BLL  | E. 80 MILES BELOW THE BRIDGE                |
| ___KD9TZ  | F. COHOCTAH                                 |
| ___WA8DHB | G. GUN LAKE                                 |
| ___W8KP   | H. MAYOR OF MUD LAKE                        |
| ___WD8INW | I. KALEVA                                   |
| ___N8DAD  | J. GLADSTONE                                |
| ___KF8QW  | K. ON THE CLIFF IN GLADSTONE                |
| ___W9PZ   | L. HOME OF THE PACKERS                      |
| ___KD8GFL | M. S.E. CORNOR OF MANISTEE COUNTY           |
| ___K8SKY  | N. NOT IN WISCONSIN                         |
| ___W9EVT  | O. THE CALLBOOK SAYS ELKHART LAKE           |
| ___W8WR   | P. DAVE'S TOY BOX                           |
| ___K8WLT  | Q. BEAVERTON                                |
| ___N8HBZ  | R. SURROUNDED BY THE OTTAWA NATIONAL FOREST |
| ___WB8FUW | S. GAYLORD                                  |
| ___N9QPJ  | T .BENTON HARBOR                            |



Think how much smarter you will be after reading this.

**Glass** takes one million years to decompose, which means it never wears out and can be recycled an infinite amount of times!

**Gold** is the only metal that doesn't rust, even if it's buried in the ground for thousands of years.

**Your tongue** is the only muscle in your body that is attached at only one end.

**If you stop getting thirsty,** you need to drink more water. When a human body is dehydrated, its thirst mechanism shuts off.

**Zero** is the only number that cannot be represented by Roman numerals.

**Kites** were used in the American Civil War to deliver letters and newspapers.

**The song, Auld Lang Syne,** is sung at the stroke of midnight in almost every English-speaking country in the world to bring in the new year.

**Drinking water after eating** reduces the acid in your mouth by 61 percent.

**Peanut oil** is used for cooking in submarines because it doesn't smoke unless it's heated above 450F.

**The roar** that we hear when we place a seashell next to our ear is not the ocean, but rather the sound of blood surging through the veins in the ear.

**Nine out of every 10** living things live in the ocean.

**The banana** cannot reproduce itself. It can be propagated only by the hand of man.

**Airports at higher altitudes** require a longer airstrip due to lower air density.

**The University of Alaska** spans four time zones.

**The tooth** is the only part of the human body that cannot heal itself.

**In ancient Greece ,** tossing an apple to a girl was a traditional proposal of marriage. Catching it meant she accepted.

**Warner Communications** paid 28 million for the copyright to the song Happy Birthday.

**Intelligent people** have more zinc and copper in their hair.

**A comet's tail** always points away from the sun.

**The Swine Flu** vaccine in 1976 caused more death and illness than the disease it was intended to prevent.

**Caffeine** increases the power of aspirin and other painkillers, that is why it is found in some medicines.

**The military salute** is a motion that evolved from medieval times, when knights in armor raised their visors to reveal their identity.

**If you get into the bottom of a well or a tall chimney and look up,** you can see stars, even in the middle of the day.

**When a person dies,** hearing is the last sense to go. The first sense lost is sight.

**In ancient times** strangers shook hands to show that they were unarmed.

**Strawberries** are the only fruits whose seeds grow on the outside.

**Avocados** have the highest calories of any fruit at 167 calories per hundred grams.

**The moon** moves about two inches away from the Earth each year.

**The Earth** gets 100 tons heavier every day due to falling space dust.

**Due to earth's gravity** it is impossible for mountains to be higher than 15,000 meters.

**Mickey Mouse** is known as "Topolino" in Italy.

**Soldiers** do not march in step when going across bridges because they could set up a vibration which could be sufficient to knock the bridge down.

**Everything** weighs one percent less at the equator.

The following questions were set in last year's GED examination .  
These are genuine answers (from 16 year olds)

Q. Name the four seasons

A. Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar.

Q. How is dew formed.

A. The sun shines down on the leaves and makes them perspire.

Q. What guarantees may a mortgage company insist on

A. If you are buying a house they will insist that you are well endowed.

Q. In a democratic society, how important are elections

A. Very important. Sex can only happen when a male gets an election.

Q. What are steroids

A. Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs ..

(Shoot yourself now , there is little hope)

Q. What happens to your body as you age

A. When you get old, so do your bowels and you get intercontinental.

Q. What happens to a boy when he reaches puberty

A. He says goodbye to his boyhood and looks forward to his adultery.

Q. Name a major disease associated with cigarettes.

A. Premature death



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