

UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



HAM OF THE YEAR
W8WR LARRY ALMAN
GREENVILLE MI

HAM OF THE MONTH
KC8YOX DAVE FOGLE
ONAWAY MI

DECEMBER 2015

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Here we are in the month of December, time for shopping celebration, and snow. Snow so far has been a little slim for some of us. Not complaining!! Other parts of the country have had a bad "late fall" Has this year gone by fast or slow for you. For myself, I can say fast because it is the first time in a long time I have felt like doing things, and have got a lot of things done, not all I planned, but many.

A special Hello to Annette. KC8QII. She was wrestling with a turkey and now she has her arm in a sling! Take it easy and get better soon!! Let us all say many prayers for Helen, XYL of George W8OWN as she battles pancreatic cancer.

Also you will see in this newsletter a listing of equipment from the estate of Jim, N8GWN. His daughter had one of the Hams in Gaylord assist her getting Jim's radio relate items together for sale. Her contact information is at the top of the list.

You also will see dome information on the Santa Claus Net. I had a lot of fun doing that last year with the grandsons I encourage you to have the young ones into your shack and checkin.

Merry Christmas and Happy New year to all and may 2016 be a great year for you.

UPPER PENINSULA NET WEBSITE [www. michupnet.com](http://www.michupnet.com)

NET STATS

OCT 2014 CHECKINS 1000 TRAFFIC 47

OCT 2015 CHECKINS 953 TRAFFIC 43

HIGH TRAFFIC 2 N8BNC

HIGH CHECKINS: NS8S 41, K8BLL36, K8SKY 34, KD8KCV 33, KC8ZMN 33

December 2015

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i> <i>W8PZ DAVE</i> <i>KC8NVI & KC8QII</i> <i>KD8CYK GERRY</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> <i>K8HRO RANDY</i>	<i>9</i> <i>K8SKS & DONNA</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i> <i>K8CIA PAUL</i> <i>DONNA XYL OF</i> <i>KN8N</i> <i>K8LQV & GLORIA</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i> <i>WT8G & LINDA</i>	<i>17</i> <i>KN8N LARRY</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>20</i> <i>KB9NGX XYL'S</i> <i>BIRTHDAY</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> <i>WD8PRW & HELEN</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i> <i>TRAVIS GRANDSON</i> <i>OF WA8DHB</i>		

EXAMS

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12/05/2015 | Mount Clemens MI 48043-2217 Sponsor: SAROF **Location:** Mt. Clemens Salvation Army Corps (rear entrance) **Time:** 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

12/05/2015 | Muskegon MI 49440-1225 Sponsor: Muskegon Area ARC **Location:** Red Cross Building **Time:** 9:00 AM (No walk-ins)

12/06/2015 | Harrison Township MI 48045-348 Sponsor: L'Anse Creuse ARC **Location:** L'Anse Creuse High School **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

12/08/2015 | Dearborn MI 48124-3958 Sponsor: Ford Amt Radio League K8UTT **Location:** Ford Motor Company-Building 1 Conference Room 13F040 **Time:** 11:00 AM (No walk-ins)

12/12/2015 | Ann Arbor MI 48108-1516 Sponsor: ARROW Communications Assoc. **Location:** American Red Cross Building **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

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

12/12/2015 | Holland MI 49423-3407 Sponsor: Holland ARC **Location:** American Red Cross **Time:** 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

12/12/2015 | Midland MI 48640-4474 Sponsor: Midland ARC **Location:** Salvation Army Building **Time:** 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

12/12/2015 | Monroe MI 48161-9770 Sponsor: W8OTC **Location:** Good Shepherd Church **Time:** 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

12/12/2015 | Negaunee MI 49866 Sponsor: Hiawatha ARA **Location:** Marquette Health Dept Bldg **Time:** 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

12/12/2015 | Port Huron MI 48060-4014 Sponsor: Eastern Michigan ARC **Location:** St Clair County Library **Time:** 10:00 AM (No walk-ins)

12/19/2015 | Flint MI 48507 Sponsor: The KT8Q & W8ACW VE Teams **Location:** Baker College of Flint-Tech Center **Time:** 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

12/19/2015 | Jackson MI 49204-9999 Sponsor: Cascades ARS **Location:** Jackson District Library **Time:** 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

12/19/2015 | Monroe MI 48162-5231 Sponsor: Monroe Cty Radio Comm Assoc
Location: American Red Cross **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

01/09/2016 | Monroe MI 48161-9770 Sponsor: W8OTC **Location:** Good Shepherd Church
Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

01/16/2016 | Ionia MI 48846-8512 Sponsor: ICARPSC **Location:** Ionia Central Dispatch
Time: 6:00 PM (No walk-ins)

HAMFEST

- **12/06/2015 | LCARC Amateur Radio Swap/Hamfest Location:** Harrison Township, MI
Type: ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** L'Anse Creuse Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.n8lc.org>
- 01/24/2016 | Hazel Park W8HP 50th Annual Swap Location:** Madison Heights, MI
Type: ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club **Website:** <http://hparc.org/>
- 02/13/2016 | Cherryland ARC's 43rd Swap & Shop Location:** Traverse City, MI
Type: ARRL Hamfest **Sponsor:** Cherryland Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://cherrylandarc.com>

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Pretty scary stuff!FROM JIM, WB8IEH
NOT ALL THIEVES ARE STUPID

CELL PHONES:

I never thought of this! This lady has now changed her habit of how she lists her names on her cell phone after her handbag was stolen. Her handbag, which contained her cell phone, credit card, wallet, etc., was stolen. Twenty minutes later when she called her hubby, from a pay phone telling him what had happened, hubby says, "I received your text asking about our Pin number and I've replied a little while ago." When they rushed down to the bank, the bank staff told them all the money was already withdrawn. The thief had actually used the stolen cell phone to text "hubby" in the contact list and got hold of the pin number. Within 20 minutes he had withdrawn all the money from their bank account.

December Special Event W1Q Will Mark QST Centennial

11/30/2015

Special Event station W1Q will be on the air December 1-15 to celebrate *QST*'s 100th anniversary. The first *QST* was published in December 1915.

ARRL COO Harold Kramer, WJ1B, and volunteer operators will be on the air. This is *not* an official ARRL operation, and Kramer will handle all details, QSL cards, and LoTW entries.

He will post additional information on his QRZ.com page under WJ1B. — *Thanks to Harold Kramer, WJ1B*

SANTA CLAUSE NET.....FROM PETE KE5GGY VIA NEWSLINE

It really goes back to a year where I had a young child at home I was checked into one of the 3916 nets on Christmas Eve A number of us were looking for a way for our kids to talk to Santa. So we pieced together something for a couple of us that one night and it worked really well. I could be a Santa net relay for a station in Kansas City then he could facilitate the contact with Santa for me and my son, so we had sort of a primitive dress rehearsal and I think it occurred to a number of us that hey this really is neat and it has grown from there. I think we had five people that first year now in 2015 we are expecting 250 and 300 kids to talk to Santa

Connecting kids to Santa at Christmas time just makes their Christmas. We get emails every year from parents and grandparents that say this was the highlight of our holiday season. This brought our family together. That and the fact we're using the magic radio to do it. makes it very rewarding on another level. We know a number of these kids who have been on the Santa net have gone on to get their ham radio tickets. Its a win win. Kids get the spirit of Christmas connecting with Santa through the magic of ham radio they experience this great hobby its a great way for us to end the year on the 3916 nets.

Santa Net meets every night on 3916 KHz at 7:30PM US Central time. (8:30 PM Eastern)

This year Pete will stream the audio for a live feed on the Internet and it will be archived. So anyone who is on the Santa Net, through Christmas Eve, will be able to find their contact from a YouTube page, just do a hashtag and a call sign and you'll find that particular contact.

Editors note: What a great way to introduce your kids, grandkids or even some neighborhood kids to Ham Radio. I had my three grandson over last year and we had a ball!

Signal were good at that time of night on 75 meters. You can even put in a word for yourself For that new radio!!

Equipment Sale

from the estate of Jim Robb N8GWN (SK)

Contact: Therese Hansen

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Equipment	Description	Price
TOWER	(1) The tower is being offered as one unit. It consists of Glen Martin 40 foot Hazer tower, which includes a 144/440 verticle base antenna, Tri-Band HF antenna, Hy-Gain CD45II rotator, Ameritron RCS4 Remote coax switch all cables included. To be removed by buyer.	\$1300.00
AMPLIFIERS	(6) Ameritron 811A 3 tube HF amplifier	\$550.00
	(5) Kenwood TL-922A HF amplifier	\$1000.00
	(60) Mirage B3016 30 in 160 144 VHF Amp	\$125.00
HF BASE RADIOS	(9) ICom IC-738 with Hand Mic	\$ 475.00
	(17) ICom IC-718 with Hand Mic	\$450.00
	(11) Kenwood TS-440S with Hand Mic	\$425.00
	(14) Kenwood TS-850S with Hand Mic	\$550.00
VHF/UHF RADIOS	(25) Icom IC-208H 144/440 mobile	\$250.00
	(34) Kenwood TR-9130, BO9A base , TE32 Encoder, Ant Tuner	\$250.00
	(71) Kenwood TM-271A RS730 mobile antenna	\$150.00
	(31) Yaesu FT-2400 mobile	\$100.00
POWER SUPPLIES	(15) Astron RS35m 13.8 volt 20 amp power supply	\$130.00
	(16) Astron RS20A 13.8 volt 20 amp power supply	\$65.00
	(12) Kenwood PS-50 power supply provides 13.8 VDC at 20 amps	\$100.00
HT'S -SCANNERS	(54) ICom IC-V8 144 HT includes charger base	\$75.00
	(51) Kenwood TR-2400 ST1 includes most assecories.	\$25.00
	(53) Radio Shack 20-526 Trunking scanner	\$225.00
SWR-WATT METERS &	(47) Kenwood SW-2000, SWC3, SWC2	\$100.00
ANTENNA ANALYZERS	(29) Daiwa CN101L SWR-Power meter	\$75.00
	(23) Radio Shack SWR Power Meter	\$25.00
	(28) Big B SWR meter simuluar to Royce 2-100	\$15.00
	(30) MFJ-259 Antenna Analyzer complete	\$125.00

ANTENNA TUNERS	(39) LDG AT-1000 Pro	\$250.00
	(40A) MFJ MFJ-994B 600 watt ATU	\$200.00
	(40B) MFJ MFJ-994B 600 watt ATU	\$200.00
	(62) MFJ MFJ 941E 300 watt Manual Tuner	\$75.00
EXTERNAL SPEAKERS	(56) ICom SP-23 Speaker with Filters	\$90.00
	(57) ICom SP-21 Speaker	\$70.00
	(58) Kenwood SP-430 speaker Matches TS-430	\$70.00
	(7) Kenwood SP-430 speaker Matches TS-430	\$70.00
	(45C) ICom SP-10 mobile Speaker	\$20.00
	(45A) MG Electronics CS4 mobile Speaker	\$10.00
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HEAD PHONES	(42) Kenwood HS-6 Communications Headphones	\$30.00
	(50) Kenwood HS-5 Communications Headphones	\$40.00
	(43) Sony MDR-XD100 Stereo Headphones	\$30.00
DESK MICROPHONES	(8) ICOM SM-20 microphone	\$100.00
	(59) ICOM SM-20 microphone	\$100.00
	(19) Icom SM-6 microphone	\$60.00
	(10) Kenwood MC-60	\$80.00
	(13) Kenwood MC-60	\$80.00
	(13) Kenwood MC-50	\$60.00
ANTENNA SWITCHES	(18A) MFJ RCS4 Remote antenna switch	\$50.00
	(18B) MFJ RCS4 Remote antenna switch	\$50.00
	(20) B&W CS-3 G 3 position antenna switch	\$25.00
	(21a) MFJ-1704 4 Position Switch	\$45.00
	(21b) MFJ-1704 4 Position Switch	\$45.00
	(22) MFJ-1702 2 Position Switch	\$15.00
MISCELLANEOUS	(26) MFJ-461 Morse Code Reader	\$35.00
	(41) MFJ-1164B AC Line Filter	\$35.00
	(63) MFJ-616 Speech Enhancer	\$80.00
	(65) Standard CW Key mounted on board	\$15.00
	(66) MFJ-931 Artificial RF Ground	\$65.00
	(69a) Ameritron ARB 704 Amplifier isolation switch	\$25.00
	(69b) Ameritron ARB 704 Amplifier isolation switch	\$25.00
	(69c) Ameritron ARB 704 Amplifier isolation switch	\$25.00
	(33a) Gap Hear It Module inline filter 1031MKII	\$100.00
	(33b) Gap Hear It Module inline filter 1031MKII	\$100.00

	(67a) Oak Bay Technologies LP-11P 1.8 to 30 MHz Low-Pass Filters	\$35.00
	(67b) Oak Bay Technologies LP-11P 1.8 to 30 MHz Low-Pass Filters	\$35.00
	(44) Various PL-259 jumper cables	\$3.00
	(70) Misc cords	\$5.00
BALUNS – LINE ISOLATORS	1 Radio Works 3-LT Line Isolator	\$10.00
	1 Radio Works 5-LT Line Isolators	\$10.00
	1 Radio Works T-4 Line Isolators	\$10.00
	1 Radio Works Y1-5K current balun for Yagi Antennas	\$10.00
	1 Radio Works Y1-5K current balun for G5RV Antennas	\$10.00
	1 Radio Works 4:1 Remote balun	\$10.00
	1 W2AU BIG signal 1:1 balun	\$10.00
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