

# UPPER PENINSULA NET NEWS SERVING THE WESTERN GREAT LAKES



HAM OF THE YEAR  
WB8VOF DOUG ALMQUIST  
WELLSTON MI

HAM OF THE MONTH  
W8TZA BILL KIRKS  
KALAMAZOO MI

MAY 2009

FROM THE EDITOR-----BILL, N8NJA

Here we are in the month of May, the grass is green, the birds are singing, some flowers are in bloom, sure hope it doesn't snow again. I only say that because today I took the snow shovel out of my work truck.

It was great to see many of the U P Net participants at the Cadillac Swap. We had 36 people who attended the meeting. The highlight of the meeting was the inauguration of the new Ham Of The Year. That is Doug, WB8VOF. Doug has been a very active ham. He is involved with both the Manistee and Cadillac Clubs, has been an officer in QCWA and of course our Sunday evening net control. Doug is always willing to help where he can. He will take a pre-net, cover someone's net for them or just about anything else he can do to help. Mary Ann and his pal Corky can be proud of this honor. I know he will represent the Upper Peninsula Net very well in the next year. Congratulations Doug.

## NET STATS

APRIL 2009	CHECKINS 1267	TRAFFIC 60
APRIL 2008	CHECKINS 1219	TRAFFIC 79

HIGH NET CHECKINS FOR APRIL – APRIL 14-48 NET CONTROL N8BNC APRIL-26 48 NET CONTROL WB8VOF

HIGHEST TRAFFIC FOR ONE NET, APRIL 27 – 7 PIECES OF TRAFFIC- NET CONTROL AA8SN

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

# BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES MAY 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7 <i>WA8UCS &amp; VALERIE</i>	8	9 <i>W8UJH &amp; LORRAINE</i>
10	11	12 <i>WA8DVD &amp; XYL</i>	13	14	15 <i>KATHLEEN XYL OF N8NJA</i>	16
17 <i>K8NIH JERRY</i>	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 <i>KA8OGC JEAN</i>	29	30
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## EXAMS

09-May-2009 **Sponsor:** CHERRYLAND ARC **Time:** 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** R HOPE FRANCISCO (231)941-7262 **Email:** [AA8SN@ARRL.NET](mailto:AA8SN@ARRL.NET)  
**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** SALVATION ARMY BLDG, 2/24 UPGRADES AND TESTS  
1239 BARLOW ST MAY ALSO CALL: 231-218-0622 [AA8SN@ARRL.NET](mailto:AA8SN@ARRL.NET) TRAVERSE  
CITY, MI 49686

09-May-2009 **Sponsor:** EASTERN MICHIGAN ARC **Time:** 10:00AM (Walk-ins  
allowed) **Contact:** ROBERT G HERBERT (810)982-1561 **Email:** [K8WMW@ARRL.NET](mailto:K8WMW@ARRL.NET)  
**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** ST CLAIR COUNTY LIBRARY 2ND FLOOR MEETING ROOM  
210 MCMORRAN BLVD PORT HURON, MI 48060

09-May-2009 **Sponsor:** ARROW COMMUNICATIONS ASSOC. **Time:** 9:00AM (No walk-  
ins) **Contact:** ROGER F PLACE (734)663-4625 **Email:** [MERROGPLACE@AOL.COM](mailto:MERROGPLACE@AOL.COM)  
**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** AMERICAN RED CROSS BUILDING 4624 PACKARD ST  
ANN ARBOR, MI 48108

09-May-2009 **Sponsor:** CENTRAL MICHIGAN ARC **Time:** 9:30 AM (Walk-ins  
allowed) **Contact:** DONALD L MCLAIN (517)694-0812 **Email:** [KB8RADON@AOL.COM](mailto:KB8RADON@AOL.COM)  
**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** AMERICAN RED CROSS MID MICHIGAN CHAPTER  
1800 E GRAND RIVER AVE LANSING, MI 48912

09-May-2009 **Sponsor:** THE GREATER FLINT VE TEAM **Time:** 1:00 PM (No walk-  
ins) **Contact:** JEFFREY R PENDER (810)519-2608 **Email:** [K8KZB@ARRL.NET](mailto:K8KZB@ARRL.NET)  
**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** BAKER COLLEGE OF FLINT-TECH CENTER  
G-1050 W BRISTOL ROAD ROOM S-120-PRE-REG. REG BEGINS AT 12:30 PM  
FLINT, MI 48507

09-May-2009 **Sponsor:** MOTOR CITY RADIO CLUB **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins  
allowed) **Contact:** DON F NOVAK (734)281-7030 **Email:** [K8THU@ARRL.NET](mailto:K8THU@ARRL.NET)  
**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** GLENWOOD METHODIST CHURCH 2130 FORD AVENUE  
(NORTHLINE) WYANDOTTE, MI 48192

17-May-2009 **Sponsor:** NQ8A TESTING GROUP **Time:** 12:30PM (Walk-ins  
allowed) **Contact:** LARRY A SCHRADER (269)429-7574 **VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#)  
**Location:** CHURCH OF CHRIST 3550 NILES RD REAR OF PARKING LOT  
FELLOWSHIP HALL SAINT JOSEPH, MI 49085

18-May-2009 **Sponsor:** USECA ARC **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** JOSEPH P KENNEDY (586)977-7222 **Email:** [N8OZ@ARRL.NET](mailto:N8OZ@ARRL.NET)  
**VEC:** [W5YI VEC](#) **Location:** [HTTP://USECAARC.COM/TEST/](http://USECAARC.COM/TEST/) FOR IMPORTANT DETAILS  
MOUNT CLEMENS, MI 48043

19-May-2009 **Sponsor:** MCECS **Time:** 10:00AM (No walk-ins) **Contact:** JAMES C  
DURAM (231)638-7010 **Email:** [JIMK8COP@AFO.NET](mailto:JIMK8COP@AFO.NET) **VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:**  
WHITE HALL CITY HALL 405 E COLBY ST MUST PRE-REGISTER WHITEHALL, MI  
49461

20-May-2009 **Sponsor:** PRESCOTT TESTING GROUP **Time:** 6:30 PM (Walk-ins  
Allowed) **Contact:** DALE E MONDEAU (989)873-6920 **Email:** [2HAMITUP@VERIZON.NET](mailto:2HAMITUP@VERIZON.NET)  
**VEC:** [W5YI VEC](#) **Location:** MILLS TOWNSHIP HALL 2441 GREENWOOD RD  
SKIDWAY LAKE PRESCOTT, MI 48756

23-May-2009 **Sponsor:** ALLEGAN COUNTY ARC **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** PETER J BLOWERS (269)370-2018 **Email:** [AA8L@ARRL.NET](mailto:AA8L@ARRL.NET) **VEC:**  
[ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** ALLEGAN GENERAL HOSPITAL - BASEMENT CAFETERIA  
555 LINN STREET M-40S, JUST S OF M-89/M40 INT ALLEGAN, MI 49010

23-May-2009 **Sponsor:** KALAMAZOO ARC **Time:** 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** JOHN D TUCKER (269)324-9085 **Email:** [WB8ZVV@ARRL.NET](mailto:WB8ZVV@ARRL.NET) **VEC:**  
[ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** KALAMAZOO COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT 1500 LAMONT AVE (OFF  
LAKE ST)BASEMENT MEETING ROOM KALAMAZOO, MI 49001

23-May-2009 **Sponsor:** SOUTH LYON AREA ARC **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins  
allowed)**Contact:** CHRISTIAN D ANDERSON (248)437-3088 **Email:**  
[K8VJ@ARRL.NET](mailto:K8VJ@ARRL.NET) **VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** WITCH'S HAT DEPOT SOUTH LYON  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY MCHATTIE PARK 200 DOROTHY STREET SOUTH LYON, MI  
48178

30-May-2009 **Sponsor:** LCARA **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)**Contact:**  
ROBERT P BESWETHERICK (810)653-3856 **VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** 911 CENTER  
LAPEER, MI 48446

02-Jun-2009 **Sponsor:** INGHAM COUNTY VE GROUP **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins  
allowed)**Contact:** DONALD L MCLAIN (517)694-0812 **Email:** [KB8RADON@AOL.COM](mailto:KB8RADON@AOL.COM)  
**VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** LANSING POLICE DEPT. 3400 S CEDAR ST SMALL  
CONFERENCE RM DOWNSTAIRS LANSING, MI 48910

02-Jun-2009 **Sponsor:** HAZEL PARK ARC **Time:** 7:30PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** DEE D FLINT (248)981-8145 **Email:** [N8UZE@ARRL.NET](mailto:N8UZE@ARRL.NET) **VEC:** [ARRL/VEC](#)  
**Location:** OAK PARK COMMUNITY CENTER 14300 OAK PARK BLVD PRE-REGISTRATION  
URGED CHECKIN @ 7 - TEST 7:30 PM OAK PARK, MI 48237

06-Jun-2009 **Sponsor:** MT CLEMENS SAROF **Time:** 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
**Contact:** WILLIAM C HEAVER (586)469-6712 **Email:** [K8EDS@ARRL.NET](mailto:K8EDS@ARRL.NET) **VEC:**  
[ARRL/VEC](#) **Location:** SALVATION ARMY CORPS 55 CHURCH ST CORNER SOUTH  
GRATIOT MAY ALSO CALL: 313-526-5261 MOUNT CLEMENS, MI 48043

## HAMFEST

JUNE 6 2009

I.R.A. "Good Old Days" Hamfest Independent Repeater Association  
<http://www.w8hvg.org> **Talk-In:** 147.160 (PL 94.8) **Contact:** Don Andrews, K8YES  
5168 Olsen Springs Court SW Wyoming, MI 49509 Phone: 616-532-7769  
Email: [andrews\\_don@juno.com](mailto:andrews_don@juno.com) Hudsonville, MI Hudsonville Fairgrounds  
[5235 Park Avenue](#)

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Chelsea Radio Swap 'n Shop Chelsea Amateur Radio Club <http://www.wd8iel.net>  
**Talk-In:** 145.450 (PL 100) **Contact:** Frank Pohs, KD8ABW 636 West Main Street  
Manchester, MI 48158 Phone: 734-945-1915 Email: [frank.pohs@gmail.com](mailto:frank.pohs@gmail.com)  
Chelsea, MI Chelsea Fairgrounds [20501 Old US Highway 12](#)

U. P. NET MEETING CADILLAC MAY 2, 2009



DID EVERYBODY SIGN THE LIST?



THE GROUP LISTENS INTENTLY TO HOPE

# YOOPER CREATION STORY

## FROM JIM, WB8IEH

In the beginning dere was nuttin.

Den on da first day God created da Upper Peninsula.

On da second day He created da partridge, da deer, da bear, da fish, and da ducks.

On da third day He said let dere be Yoopers to roam da Upper Peninsula.

On da fourth day He created da udder world down below.

On da fifth day He said "Let dere be trolls to live in da world down below."

On da sixth day he created da bridge so da trolls would have a way to get to heaven.

God saw it was good and on da seventh day He went huntin.

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HOLY WA, DAT'S NOT DE END, DONCHA KNOW?!?!?

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OTHER FUN THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT THE U.P....

- One day it's warm, the rest of the year it's cold.
- People who have said "I have half a mind to go to the U.P." have all the right equipment.
- If you fly a straight line from Sault Ste. Marie to Ironwood, you'll see a lot of trees.
- Dollar Bay in the U.P. was named after the annual salary in the area.
- There are two seasons in the U.P. -- Swat and Shovel.
- Michigan's U.P. was never considered as a site for the state capital; however, it does have towns named Ralph and Christmas.
- The U. P. is the supplier of mosquitos to the free world.

And remember... "Say ya to da U.P., 'eh?"

MORE PICTURES FROM CADILLAC



JOHN, WB8RCR, SECTION SEC AND STM ADDRESSES THE GROUP



HOPE, AA8SN, NET MANAGER AND JIM, N8GWN, HAM OF THE YEAR FOR 2008 PRESENT DOUG, WB8VOF WITH THE HAM OF THE YEAR AWARD 2009

THANKS TO THOSE WHO ATTENDED  
THE U. P. NET MEETING IN CADILLAC

N8LLVI	DUANE	KC8NVI	CLIFF	KC8VXJ	SAM
KC8QII	ANNTTE	WB8ZNP	LINDA	WB8ZNR	STEVE
KB8MCR	JIM	KN8N	LARRY	WD8DCA	LEO
WB8VOF	DOUG	K8SKY	SKYE	KC8ZMN	CHRIS
N8QEN	DOUG	N8GWN	JIM	N8NJA	BILL
AA8SN	HOPE	W8OWN	GEORGE	N8ISV	LINDA
WT8G	GERRY	K8LQV	DICK	KG9BI	AL
W8NSH	DAVE	K8BLL	AL	K8KZG	RAY
W8RML	BOB	K8QBZ	WAYNE	KD8GFL	GARY
N8JQ	JERRY	W8KIZ	AL	WA8LT	WALT
W8NEV	KEN	N8ZZF	PAT	KB8GT	LARRY
WB8JSR	JOHN	W8GEP	GRANT	W8CBH	BILL



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