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FROM THE EDITOR------BILL, N8NJA

Happy New Year to everyone! Let's hope 2008 is a great year for everyone, especially all our net participants and their families. Speaking of family, over the past month I found out that Gavin is going to be a big brother, Michael and Amber are going to make me a Grandpa again.

Michael, Gavin, and I took a real nice trip the Saturday before Christmas. Went to Traverse City to see the Festival of Trains. Every year the model railroaders in the Traverse City area set up this display at the Grand Traverse Heritage Center. It is just wonderful to watch the kids there and see how excited they get about the trains. In today's world of video games and computers it is sure nice to see that little kids still get excited about model trains. It is a great thing these gentlemen do every year. If you are in the Traverse City Area around the holidays you should stop in and see the display.

The 75 meter band has been a little challenging some days at net time. My experience is that at about 5:45 EST it starts to go long and sometimes it is really hard to hear the close in Michigan stations. The flip side of this is that we are getting some check-ins from some other states, so I guess we can live with it. It is nice to hear Dennis, SKP check-in from Kentucky sometimes and I really enjoyed hearing Jake check in from his barge on the trip through the lakes and the St. Lawrence Seaway. I hope we get a chance to have him return to the net.

Don't forget starting this month this newsletter is available on the website, please spread the word on the net. Remember if you still want to get it in the mail you can for just \$12.00 per year.

May 2008 bring you good health, good luck, and prosperity!

EXAMS

- 05-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** TOP OF MICHIGAN ARC **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** CHAD W JOHNSTON (989)705-9612 **Email:** CHAD@NUWAYSUPPLY.COM **VEC:** ARRL/VEC **Location:** OTSEGO COUNTY PUB LIBRARY 700 SOUTH OTSEGO AVE OLD 27 SOUTH MEETING ROOM GAYLORD, MI 49735
- 05-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** MT CLEMENS SAROF **Time:** 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** WILLIAM C HEAVER (586)469-6712 **Email:** 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
- 12-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** THE GREATER FLINT VE TEAM **Time:** 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** JEFFREY R PENDER (810)614-6199 **Email:** <u>K8KZB@K8KZB.COM</u> **VEC:** <u>ARRL/VEC</u> **Location:** BAKER COLLEGE OF FLINT-TECH CENTER G-1050 W BRISTOL ROAD ROOM S-120 REGISTRATION AT 12:30 PM FLINT, MI 48507
- 12-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** DELTA COUNTY ARS **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** HOWARD E ST JOHN (906)428-9476 **Email:** <u>HSJ99@CHARTER.NET</u> **VEC:** <u>ARRL/VEC</u> **Location:** GLADSTONE SCHOOL LIBRARY 300 SO 10TH STREET GLADSTONE, MI 49837
- 12-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** ARROW COMMUNICATIONS ASSOC INC **Time:** (No walk-ins) **Contact:** CLAYBOURNE MITCHELL (734)662-6663 **VEC:** <u>ARRL/VEC</u> **Location:** U OF M NORTH CAMPUS-ROOM 2211 GG BROWN ENGINEERING BLDG CANDIDATES MUST PRE-REGISTER OR CALL ROGER @ 734-663-4625 ANN ARBOR, MI 48106
- 12-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** LANSING VE TEAM **Time:** 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** JOSEPH H DENOMME (517)589-5263 **Email:** N8VYS@VOYAGER.NET **VEC:** ARRL/VEC **Location:** AMERICAN RED CROSS 1800 E GRAND RIVER AVE KROPSCHOT ROOM LANSING, MI 48912
- 12-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** MOTOR CITY RADIO CLUB **Time:** 9:00AM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** DON F NOVAK (734)281-7030 **Email:** <u>K8THU@ARRL.NET</u> **VEC:** <u>ARRL/VEC</u> **Location:** GLENWOOD METHODIST CHURCH 2130 FORD AVENUE (NORTHLINE) WYANDOTTE, MI 48192
- 12-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** EASTERN MICHIGAN ARC **Time:** 10:00AM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** ROBERT G HERBERT (810)982-1561 **Email:** <u>K8WMW@ARRL.NET</u> **VEC:** <u>ARRL/VEC</u> **Location:** ST CLAIR COUNTY LIBRARY 2ND FLOOR MEETING ROOM 210 MCMORRAN BLVD PORT HURON, MI 48060
- 19-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** GENESEE COUNTY RADIO CLUB **Time:** 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** VERLE D WINNINGHAM (810)629-2633 **Email:** K8VW@ARRL.NET VEC: ARRL/VEC **Location:** MOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE 2100 W THOMPSON RD SOUTHERN LAKES BRANCH CAMPUS FENTON/FLINT, MI 48430
- 26-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** NORTH OTTAWA ARC **Time:** 8:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** JOHN T FISCHER (616)402-0665 **Email:** <u>KC8UNY@ARRL.NET</u> **VEC:** <u>ARRL/VEC</u> **Location:** GRAND HAVEN COMMUNITY CENTER COLUMBUS STREET GRAND HAVEN, MI 49417
- 26-Jan-2008 **Sponsor:** KALAMAZOO ARC **Time:** 8:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** JOHN D TUCKER (269)324-9085 **Email:** WB8ZVV@ARRL.NET **VEC:** ARRL/VEC **Location:** KALAMAZOO COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT 1500 LAMONT AVE (OFF LAKE ST) BASEMENT MEETING ROOM KALAMAZOO, MI 49001
- 02-Feb-2008 **Sponsor:** MT CLEMENS SAROF **Time:** 7:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed) **Contact:** WILLIAM C HEAVER (586)469-6712 **Email:** 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

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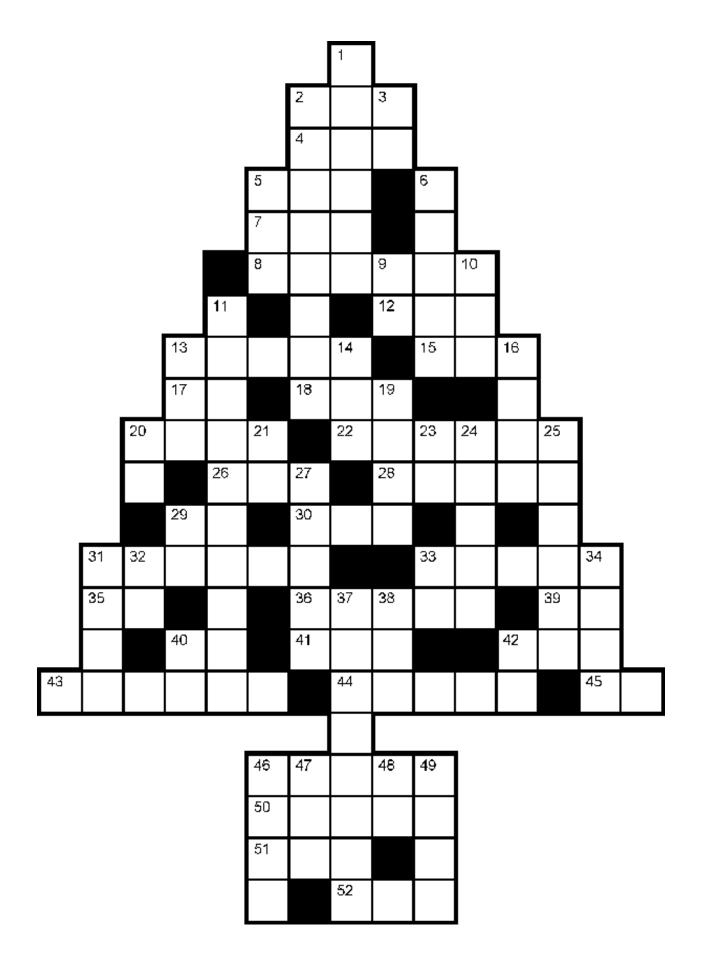
- **2** Units of reactive power (3)
- 4 A very small unit of energy (3)
- **5** The single tube in most oscilloscopes (3)
- **7** VFO with a tunable inductor (3)
- **8** Only one (6)
- 12 First commercial logic family (3)
- 13 Holding off the sweep (5)
- 15 Measure of solar irradiation (abbr) (3)
- 17 Between VE and XE (abbr) (2)
- **18** One side of a rhombic (3)
- 20 Enlarge or shrink (4)
- 22 Repetitive convert to digital data (6)
- **26** Laughing hard (abbr) (3)
- **28** Where cooling air goes (5)
- 29 Thanks! (CW abbr) (2)
- **30** Possess (3)
- **31** Large or big antenna array (6)
- **33** Remove the finish (5)
- **35** Ionizing solar radiation (abbr) (2)
- **36** Manufactured classic twins (5)
- 39 Needed for strong bones (chemical symbol) (2)
- **40** Abbreviation for what's generated by transmitters (2)
- **41** Cheating is one of these (3)
- **42** Key that gets you out of something (3)
- 43 Multiple receivers that choose the strongest signal (6)
- **44** Post-holiday state of torpor (5)
- 45 Prefix of Turkmenistan (2)
- 46 Soon to be an open sea (5)
- **50** Circular chart (5)
- **51** Unlicensed band (abbr) (3)
- **52** What the complete antenna system radiates (3)

Down

- 1 Hams always keep the originals (6)
- 3 Begins most coax designators (2)
- **6** Measure of potential (5)
- 10 Both a frequency range and Santa's helper (3)
- **13** A pair (3)
- **16** Not doing anything (4)
- 20 Prefix of British military base in Meditteranean (2)
- 23 Home of Lake Wobegon (postal code) (2)
- 25 Rules for fairness and honesty (6)
- 29 Prefix of transceivers made by 36 Across (2)
- 32 Car that runs only on batteries (abbr) (2)
- **34** Rate of making contacts (4)
- 37 Time it takes a signal to increase to a certain level (two words) (8)
- **38** Circuit that restricts noise (3)
- 42 Electromagnetic field components (2)
- **47** Effective energy content of a waveform (3)

- 2 Common name for quarter-wave antenna (8)
- **5** Old frequency abbreviation before MHz (3)
- **9** Abbreviation for a tube's control element (2)
- 11 Ability to discern between measured values (10)
- 14 Morse abbreviation is "C" (3)
- 19 Amplification factor (4)
- 21 Show-me state (postal code) (2)
- **24** Another name for tube anode (5)
- 27 An antenna accepting power (5)
- 31 QSL service (abbr) (4)
- 33 Prosign to end a contact (2)
- **40** Constant used to calculate reactance (2)
- **46** Largest continent (4)
- **48** Network manager's department (2)
- 49 Switch scope display between two channels very rapidly (4)

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HAMFEST

19 Jan 2008 + ARAY Swap 2008 Genesee County ARES, Inc. http://www.gcaresinc.org Talk-In: 147.100 (PL 100) Greg Ybarra, N8HXQ 4919 Alpha Way Flint, MI 48506 Phone: 810-736-2126 Fax: 989-871-5594 Email: n8hxq@arrl.net Burton, MI Bentley Middle School 180 North Belsay Road

20 Jan 2008 + Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club http://www.hparc.org Talk-In: 146.640 (PL 100) Sean Fleming, K8KHZ 27120 Barrington Street Madison Heights, MI 48071 Phone: 248-850-7941 Email: k8khz@yahoo.com Hazel Park, MI Hazel Park High School 23400 Hughes

2 Feb 2008 + HARA Swap and Shop Hiawatha Amateur Radio Association http://www.qsl.net/k8lod/ Talk-In: 147.27 (PL 100) Robert Serfas, N8PKN 1600 Bayview Drive Marquette, MI 49855 Phone: 906-225-6773 Email: n8pkn@aol.com Negaunee, MI Negaunee Township Hall 42, Hwy M-35

9 Feb 2008 + Swap-N-Shop Cherryland Amateur Radio Club http://www.carc.tc Talk-In: 146.86 Traverse City, MI Joe Novak, W8TVT 201 South Spruce Street Traverse City, MI 49684 Phone: 231-947-8555 Email: jinovak@charter.net Immaculate Conception Elementary School 720 2nd Street

WALT ANDERSON W8ERB HONORED BY MICHIGAN TECH

Walter T. Anderson, W8ERB, received the Michigan Technological University Board of Control Silver Medal. Anderson graduated from MTU in 1943 with a B.S. in electrical engineering, soon moving to Tennessee to work on the Manhattan Project. He returned to campus to earn a master's degree and remained with the electrical engineering department until his retirement in 1988.

NET STATS

NOVEMBER 2007 CHECK-INS 1418 TRAFFIC 76 NOVEMBER 2006 CHECK-INS 1328 TRAFFIC 48

An elderly Floridian called 911 on her cell phone to report that her car has been broken into. She is hysterical as she explains her situation to the dispatcher: "They've stolen the stereo, the steering wheel, the brake pedal and even the accelerator! " she cried.

The dispatcher said, "Stay calm. An officer is on the way."

A few minutes later, the officer radios in. "Disregard." He says. "She got in the back-seat by mistake."

As a senior citizen was driving down the freeway, his car phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Herman, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on Interstate 77. Please be careful!"

"Heck," said Herman, "It's not just one car. It's hundreds of them!"

GREAT LAKE DIVISION NETS

The following lists HF Section nets in the Great Lakes Division (GLD). Feel free to join one or more of these nets. If you are new to net operation, the best thing to do is to listen until you are familiar with general net practice -- then check in. Net Control will be happy to help anyone learn to become a topnotch operator.

In Kentucky:

KEN - Kentucky Emergency Net; Monday, 3972.5 kHz, 1930 ET.

KYN - Kentucky CW Net; daily, 3596 kHz, 2000 ET.

KSN - Kentucky Slow CW Net; daily, 3579 kHz, 2200 ET daily.

In Michigan:

MACS - Michigan Amateur Communications System; Mon-Sat, 3953 kHz 1100 ET.

MIARPSC - Michigan Amateur Radio Public Service Corps; Sunday, 3932 kHz. 17:00 ET.

UPN - Upper Peninsula Net; Sun-Sat, 3920 KHz, 17:00 ET; Sunday 3921 kHz, 12:00 ET.

MITN - Michigan Traffic Net; Sun-Sat, 3952 kHz, 1800 ET.

QMN - Michigan Net; Sun-Fri, 3563 kHz, 1830 & 2200 ET.

WSSBN - Wolverine Single Sideband Net, 3932 kHz, 1900 ET.

UP-ARES - UP ARES Net; Friday, 3932 kHz, 1930 ET.

GLETN - Great Lakes Emergency and Traffic Net; Sun-Sat, 3932 kHz, 2030 ET.

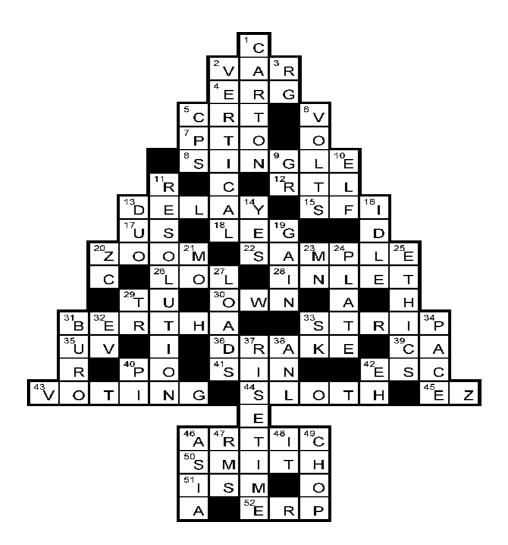
In Ohio

BNE - Buckeye (Early); Daily, 3577 kHz, 1845 ET.

BNL - Buckeye (Late); Daily, 3577 kHz, 2200 ET.

OSN - Ohio Slow Net; Daily, 3535 kHz, 1810ET.

OSSBN - Ohio Single Side-Band Net; Daily, 3972.5 kHz, 1030 1615 & 1845 ET.





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