

Waveguide

W8LAP / r
146.620 - 100 Hz
442.750 + 123 Hz

Lapeer County Amateur Radio Association
Club Founder: Hollis Hayes W8ACD

Edition for **September 2014**

**** The next regular club meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 9th, 2014 @ 7:30 pm at Lapeer County EOC****

ARES Net

Every Tuesday at 8:00 pm on 146.620 - with 100 Hz PL
(except club meeting nights)

Thursday Night Net

Every Thursday at 8:00 pm on 442.750 + with 123 Hz PL

Meetings

LCARA meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month in the Lapeer County Central Dispatch Center (911), 2332 W. Genesee St., Lapeer, MI at 7:30 pm

Newsletter

Items for the newsletter may be called in to the editor at 810-793-4986 or emailed to kevinboxey@hotmail.com. The deadline for submission is the 20th of each month.

Website: <http://www.w8lap.com>

Facebook: Lapeer County Amateur Radio Association

Editorial Section

The President Says:

Hello all club members. Well Operation CARE is done for the year and it seemed that traffic was back up to normal levels during Labor Day from the dry spell we had for July 4th. Hopefully the coffers will reflect the increased traffic. Thank you once again to Caro County for the use of the trailer, for KC8VHA hauling it back and forth for the club, and for KD8EBY putting in so many hours at the rest area.

The August club "meeting" was held at Cramton Park but it was lightly attended and slightly wet. For those of us that did attend we had a nice chat on all of the important topics of the day.

Don't forget that elections will be held at the September club meeting. I believe we still need nominations for secretary and someone to pick up the Waveguide editor post. In fact, more nominations or volunteers for every position would be fantastic. Please consider supporting your club with your time. Many hands make light work.

We were notified in August that the EOC is working on getting the amateur antennas back up. Apparently the antennas are on back order but are supposed to be shipped sometime around the end of August. Once they are back up I think we will be having some county exercises. I know we could all use practice concerning traffic handling and net protocols. We might fit some packet or Fldigi in there as well.

One more thing. On September 13th the county will be having "Family Preparedness Day" in downtown Lapeer. We are planning on setting up a table and station right next to the old court house. Please stop by and help get amateur radio in front of the public.

See you at the meeting.
Kevin KB8TAR

The Treasurer Says:

Greetings to one and all. Before I say anything else I wish to convey my disappointment in the turn out for the meeting in the park last month. What is wrong with you people?

Anyway I can report that the treasury is in good shape and the only outlay we had for this month has been the electric bill and the fee for the hosting of the W8LAP web site. I am so thankful that we no longer are paying a phone bill, thanks to our repeater trustee team. We had a small donation from Operation Care for Independence Day, so I have high hopes for a much better one come the Labor Day Operation Care. With that in mind please make it a point to sign up for a turn out on the hill so that we can increase our savings for the winter.

Thank you and 73
Respectfully, William Miller KD8VP Treasurer



Don't forget to join your fellow hams on the LCARA nets

- *Tuesday night at 8:00 pm on 146.620 - with 100 Hz PL*

and

- *Thursday night at 8:00 pm on 442.750 + with 123 Hz PL*

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The Trustee Says:

Hello W8LAP Supporters:

There have been no issues that involve the trustee administration function.

Despite having control of the VHF and UHF repeaters, the Tech Team is investigating methods of getting the repeater site connected to the internet. Having such a connection would allow for much more than the present simple control. Possibilities include monitoring repeater parameters, local weather, and video monitoring. Expanding this to an ancillary or supplemental link from w8lap.com would give members, and the general public, access to the measured information. Further, a control web page would give control functions to those authorized to perform them.

To this end, if you (or if you know someone willing to support our efforts) live closer than four miles from the repeater site, and wouldn't mind us using a few kB of your web connection, let me know - or bring it up at the next meeting.

This month's Links:

A Ham Radio Video - From the Heart

This video, made entirely by Corliss Kimmel, AL1G, is unlike any with a Ham Radio theme that I, or several who have reviewed it thus far, have seen.

Corliss resides in Anchorage, AK, and has been involved in radio for some time. She is well known as an active contester, using both CW and phone. Additionally, her late husband Frank Hurlbut (KL7FH - SK 2008) was also very active in HF contesting. Corliss has a cat named Zepp, which speaks loads about her connection to Ham radio. <http://www.mfjenterprises.com/antennatalk8.php>

Ham Radio must be in the Hulbert family genes. Frank's father is KE7MP. Frank's brother is also a Ham, and Frank and Corliss' son, Chris, KL9A, shared first place in the recent World Radiosport Team Championship (WRTC). <http://www.wrtc2014.org/>

The video tells a poignant story through imaging. There is no dialog. A bit of communication exchange takes place using Morse code. It's not much, but helps tell the story. Most, however, will understand what Corliss intends.



Should you watch the video and want to know more about what the CW exchange contains, drop me a line, and I'll send you the gist of the CW dialog (see email address below).

CQ In My Dreams: <http://vimeo.com/98907045>

73 All,

Mike, KN8Z (kn8z at arrl.net)

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Holidays and Observances: 1: Labor Day						

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Holidays and Observances: 13: Columbus Day (Most regions), 31: Halloween						

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Event Announcement

7th Annual Family

Pledge to Prepare



Preparedness Day

Saturday, September 13, 2014

9:00am until 1:00pm

Rain or Shine!

Where: The Old Court House Lawn
Downtown Lapeer

Learn to:



Speciality Training



Fun Stuff for Kids



Make a Family Preparedness Plan
Build an Emergency Supply Kit
Have fun and play games!



Emergency Vehicles



Hosted by:

Lapeer County Office of Emergency Management

and

Lapeer County CERT Team

2332 W. Genesee Street, Lapeer, MI 48446 810-667-0242

Hands on demonstrations



Lots of information



Disaster Kit Items



Be ready for the next emergency or disaster that strikes your community!

The club is planning on having a table set up for this event. Please stop by near the downtown courthouse

Hamfest information



HAMFEST/CONVENTION
09/13/2014 | GRAHamfest
 Location: Wyoming, MI
 Type: ARRL Hamfest
 Sponsor: Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association
 Website: <http://www.w8dc.org/>
[Learn More](#)



HAMFEST/CONVENTION
10/18/2014 | Muskegon Color Tour Hamfest
 Location: Muskegon, MI
 Type: ARRL Hamfest
 Sponsor: Muskegon County Emergency Communication Services
 Website: <http://www.muskegoncolortourhamfest.com>
[Learn More](#)



HAMFEST/CONVENTION
09/14/2014 | Adrian Hamfest
 Location: Adrian, MI
 Type: ARRL Hamfest
 Sponsor: Adrian Amateur Radio Club
 Website: <http://www.w8tqe.com/>
[Learn More](#)



HAMFEST/CONVENTION
10/19/2014 | Kalamazoo HamFest 2014
 Location: Kalamazoo, MI
 Type: ARRL Hamfest
 Sponsor: Kalamazoo Amateur Radio Club & Southwest Michigan Amateur Radio Team
 Website: <http://kalamazoohamfest.com/>
[Learn More](#)



HAMFEST/CONVENTION
10/26/2014 | USECA Hamfest
 Location: Madison Heights, MI
 Type: ARRL Hamfest
 Sponsor: USECA Amateur Radio Club
 Website: <http://www.usecaarc.com>
[Learn More](#)



HAMFEST/CONVENTION
12/07/2014 | LCARC Hamfest/Swap
 Location: Harrison Township, MI
 Type: ARRL Hamfest
 Sponsor: L'Anse Creuse Amateur Radio Club
 Website: <http://www.qsl.net/n8lc/>
[Learn More](#)

2014 LAPEER COUNTY TORNADO SIREN TEST SCHEDULE

If your community does not have a siren, or you cannot hear a siren, you may want to purchase a NOAA All Hazard Weather Radio.



If your community has a tornado siren, below are the dates that it will be tested:

- Saturday, **April 5th**
- Saturday, **May 3rd**
- Saturday, **June 7th**
- Saturday, **July 5th**
- Saturday, **August 2nd**
- Saturday, **September 6th**
- Saturday, **October 4th**

**All Tests Will Be
Held At 1:00PM**

Should inclement weather be present at the time of testing, the test will be cancelled. If you have any questions, please contact your local fire department.

N8LJ DXpedition (roughing it)

On Samoa



On Fiji



We are QRV here on Fiji. Its amazing I have my vertical on the beach (in the water) and the other guys have theirs on top of the about 25 ft bluff and 100 feet back. I have huge pile ups that run well into the night and they are struggling for QSO's. So guess what those guys are doing today?

We have a cook Lisa a local lady and our first dinner was stupendous. First time I had spinach soup. All locally produced including fresh fish.

CU on the bands.

73, Lee 3D2LJ

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Stuff for Sale

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- ICOM 706 MK II G, never been used mobile, separation kit still in box, extra power cord, connectors, fuses, manuals, and boxes. \$695
- CUSHCRAFT R-8 vertical antenna, 8 band (6,10,12,15,17,20,30,40 meters) with tilt over base & guy kit, used. \$275
- 40 meter ham stick rotatable dipole, never used. \$45
- Two on the glass 2 meter antennas, used. New installation kits installed for both. Both for \$50.
- MAHA model MH-C801D battery charger, eight cell, one hour charger, new. \$45

I have used the 706 MK II G very little, never even put a frequency into the memory. Call Gary KA8RGT at 810-245-2480.

If you have something to sell please send an email with the details to kevinboxey@hotmail.com to be included in the Waveguide listing.



Here are a few views from mile 6 of the CRIM. It is towards the end of the race (notice all the used cups on the road).



The additional view of my finger is free of charge.

L.C.A.R.A. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT:

CALL SIGN: _____ NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY ,STATE, AND ZIP: _____

PHONE : _____ LICENSE CLASS: _____

SKYWARN NO.: _____ RACES NO: _____

ARES MEMBER YES ___ NO ___ E-MAIL ADD.: _____

ARE YOU AN A.R.R.L. MEMBER: YES ___ NO ___

L.C.A.R.A. MEMBERSHIP IS \$12.00 PER YEAR, RENEWABLE EACH YEAR ON **OCTOBER. 1ST.** FAMILY MEMBERSHIP \$20.00. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP \$4.00. IF YOU WISH AN AUTODIAL NUMBER FOR THE REPEATER THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL \$3.00 CHARGE. Financing available.

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