

SVARA Harmonic

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For ARES Members: Next training will be on March 24.

The National Weather Service Skywarn training will be held Thursday **March 10, 2011** at Covenant Cooper Hospital in the Lecture Theater at 7:00 PM. Those wishing to maintain their spotter skills or have not taken a Skywarn class should plan to attend this session. For more information contact Ron at kc8yvf@arrl.net. Attendees should arrive by 6:30 PM to secure a seat.

NOTE: If you did not take the class in 2010, you must attend this session to stay Skywarn certified in Saginaw County.

Club Meeting Dates (at Red Cross):

All dates are Fridays: March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3, July 1, August 5, September 2, October 7, November 4, and December 2.

Club Breakfast Dates (at State Street Texan):

All dates are Saturdays: March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, July 2, August 6, September 3, October 8, November 5, and December 3.

Board Meeting Dates (at State Street Texan):

All dates are Wednesdays: March 16, April 13, May 18, June 15, July 13, August 17, September 14, October 19, November 16, and December 14.

General Meeting Minutes

American Red Cross Building

February 4, 2011

Judy KC8BYI called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m. with 26 members and guests present. She led all in the pledge of allegiance, introductions, presented Duane KD8AUY with his Gavel Award, and shared birthday greetings.

Tom Schmidt N8EUI was nominated for membership by Emmett W8EAB and seconded by Dave W8DW. He will help with the April meeting by helping to arrange a field trip to the WNEM TV5 studios. Sign up will be at the March meeting.

An article written by Jim Wades, WB8SIW for the February 2010 edition of World Radio was highlighted by Judy KC8BYI. Copies were distributed for those who didn't read the issue included with the newsletter.

The motion was made by Emmett W8EAB and seconded by John N8UQW to accept the Secretary's Report: as presented in the Harmonic with one correction.

Jeff KC8BDQ presented the Treasurer's Report: that was accepted by a motion made by Emmett W8EAB and seconded by Doris KD8MMG.

After researching other radio clubs for possible ideas Judy KC8BYI asked for volunteers to form the Refreshment's Committee with John N8UQM, Doris KD8MMG, and Minnie KD8PAZ stepping forward.

Care Break business of the evening included taking names for the formation of the Care Break Committee with Mike N8XPS signing on. Judy KC8BYI inquired if the club wanted to participate in the three holiday Care Breaks. The vote was unanimous. Please bring some one to work with for Care Break to help fill the slots.

Slips were passed around for the submission of fresh ideas further meetings. Suggestions are always welcome.

The Emergency Coordinator Report: The state wants participation in four drills a year one scenario being the aftermath of a proposed earthquake. Ares training subject for the 24th of February will be Slow Scan T.V. The Covenant Hospital will host the Weather Spotter training on March 10th and a Half Marathon on April 10th. MS Walks will take place April 30th in Midland and May 14th.

The Club Station will be open 2 times in March

Judy KC8BYI won \$24.00 even in the 50/50 drawing.

Motion to adjourn made by Jeff KC8BDQ with a second by Dave N8ERL

Respectfully Submitted
Michael Linton, N8XPS
Secretary

S.V.A.R.A
Board of Directors Meeting
The State Street Texan Restaurant
February 16, 2011

Duane KD8AUY calls the meeting to order at 7:57p.m. with Mike N8XPS, Jeff KC8BDQ, Judy KC8BYI, Mike KD8MMH, Doris KD8MMG, Emmett W8EAB, and Ron KC8YVF in attendance.

Ron KC8YVF addressed the board on partnering with Citizen Corp in putting on a Golf Tournament while inquired to the status of our 501c3 application, and if it be expedited. Judy KC8BYI said she had no word but was expecting it any day. He said they want to begin publicizing the event. She interjected that word from the I.R.S. may only be a request for more information. It was decided make contact after the next general meeting.

Judy KC8BYI led discussion on the Monday Night Net. Controllers are slated until the general meeting with a extended schedule to be made in March.

Tom N8EUI sent Judy KC8BYI an e-mail with news we can tour the WNEM studios as part of the April 1st meeting.



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-and- Emergency HF stations at the American Red Cross and auxiliary field operations.

General Membership meeting is held monthly on the 1st Friday, at 8:00 p.m.
at the American Red Cross, 1232 N. Michigan.

Board of Directors meeting - monthly on the 2nd Wednesday
following the general membership meeting,
8:00 p.m. at the Texan Restaurant, 5656 State St.

Club Breakfast – monthly on Saturday morning after the meeting,
8:30 a.m. at the Texan Restaurant, 5656 State St.

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