

SVARA Harmonic

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For ARES Members: Next training is on Thursday May 23 we will build Measuring Tape directional antennas to be used for the fox hunting exercise in June. If you plan on building and antenna, please bring 4 feet of 50 ohm (RG58) coax cable with a connector on one end (UHF, BNC, SMA, etc.) and an inexpensive 1 inch wide tape measure.

On Thursday May 16, Saginaw County will conduct the annual emergency exercise. This years drill will be held at MBS airport and be supported at local hospitals, 911, EOC, and other locations.

(Please refer to the ARES website for contact and more information)

Club Meeting Dates (at Red Cross):

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

Club Breakfast Dates (at State Street Texan):

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

Board Meeting Dates (at State Street Texan):

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

General Meeting Minutes American Red Cross Building April 5, 2013

Judy KC8BYI opened the meeting at 8:05 with 25 members and guests present, leading in the pledge of allegiance and introductions.

A motion to support the application for membership of Kevin Martin KD8QAM was made by Ron KC8YVF and seconded by John KC8WZM.

Secretary's Report: A motion was made by Mike KD8MMH and seconded by Emmett NE8B to accept the March minutes as presented by Mike N8XPS.

A motion was made by Gordy KC8YVD and seconded by John KC8WZM to accept the **Treasures Report** presented by Jeff KC8BDQ.

President's Report: Judy KC8BDQ made comments about canceling the phone line and helping the Boy Scouts earn their Radio Merit Badges.

Vice President's Report: We have been asked to prepare a presentation for and to submit information to help advertise the Great Lakes Emergency Preparedness Expo. The Swap Update included Milford and Cadillac. We will hold one more review before the testing session here on Saturday, doors open at 9:30 testing at 10:00.

We discussed other fund raising ideas. Up coming events include Breakfast, Testing, Board Meeting, and Ares. We have order forms for jackets and name badges.

Dave W8DW is looking for competition in the Michigan QSO party on April 20, 2013.

The Frankenmuth M.S. walk will take place on May 11th from 8:30 till 1:00.

Midland is looking for volunteers to help with their public service events this spring.

Aaron KD8AVA no longer provides us with Echolink access. It was decided to purchase what would be necessary to provide it at the American Red Cross Building.

At 9:15 Emmett NE8B made a motion to adjourn that was supported by Jeff KC8BDQ.

Respectfully Submitted
Michael Linton, N8XPS
Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes
State Street Texan Restaurant
April 17, 2013

Duane KC8AUY called the meeting to order at 7:32 with Mike KD8MMH, Tom N8EUI, Doris KD8MMG, Dave N8ERL, Jeff KC8BDQ, Mike KD8PEZ, Judy KC8BYI, and Mike N8XPS present.

Secretary's Report: Judy KC8BYI made and seconded by Doris KD8MMG to accept the Board Meeting minutes as presented by Mike N8XPS.

President's Report: Judy has heard no word from the State Police about Operation C.A.R.E. this summer. A.T. & T. has refunded us \$22 after canceling the phone line. We talked about the Boy Scouts joining us at this years Field Day.

Vice President's Report: Information for the Great Lakes Emergency Preparedness Expo was passed around. Mike KD8MMH bought a hand crank radio to be raffled this event.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed.

Chairman's Report: Duane KC8AUY has videos for meeting presentations.

Since we chose to not hold an Operation C.A.R.E. Break over Independence Day it was decided not to have a July meeting by a motion made by Jeff KC8BDQ and seconded by Dave N8ERL. Then a motion to adjourn at 8:13 was made by the same.

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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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