

# SVARA Harmonic

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**For ARES Members:** Next training will be on September 8<sup>th</sup> at the Saginaw County EOC.

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

## **Club Meeting Dates** (at Red Cross):

All dates are Fridays: September 2, October 7, November 4, and December 2.

## **Club Breakfast Dates** (at State Street Texan):

All dates are Saturdays: September 3, October 8, November 5, and December 3

## **Board Meeting Dates** (at State Street Texan):

All dates are Wednesdays: September 14, October 19, November 16, and December 14.

## General Meeting Minutes American Red Cross Building August 5, 2011

Judy KC8BYI called the meeting to order at 8:03 with 20 members and guests present. It led the pledge of allegiance, and introductions. Justin Thoms KD8PEV submitted an application for membership. A motion to accept him was made by Gordy KD8YVD and seconded by KD8AFM it was then carried by membership.

This was our ice cream social meeting that included a large cake decorated to announce we now have our 501c3 taking a break in the meeting to celebrate.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept the minutes as presented within the Harmonic news-letter was made by Dave N8ERL seconded by Doris KD8MMG and passed with one nay vote.

Treasure's Report: Jeff KC8BDQ presented the report for June motion to accept report made by Mike KD8MMH then seconded by Joe KD8AFM. Jeff KC8BDQ then presented the July report motion to accept made by Joe KD8AFM and seconded by Dave N8ERL.

Rosien Tower update: Judy KC8BYI relayed that Ron KC8YVF and Jeff KD8SWR carried tower sections to the roof. We have been offered \$100 per section for our Rohn 55 tower. It was suggested this be handled by the board.

Field Day Report: Dave W8DW said that 28 people attended helping us to score 4000 points 1000 better than last year that suffered from bad weather. Lee KC8ITI president of Midland club, attended to make the presentation, shared about Midland's Field Day.

Upcoming events: Were discussed including the club breakfast and board meeting. Those who traveled past the rest area where questioned whether they thought if it would be ready for Memorial Day weekend. It was decided that we expect the rest area will not be open and we would not commit to a Care Break that weekend. After some discussion it was decided to meet for the September meeting on September 3rd.

Special Event Station: Dave N8ERL reported on contributions to the National Night Out at the Saginaw Township Soccer Complex. Ham operators manned two trailers. The country trailer for demonstrations the club trailer for a special event station.

It was shared that Lou W8LPV had sent a thank you letter to the management of TV5 studios. Tom N8EUI said that his boss gave him a “that a boy” but offered no raise.

It was reported that on July 4th Joe N8CQF and his wife Jan were visiting his mother. On the way home she was involved in a serious auto accident. During treatment a tumor was found.

Lou W8LPV will be writing letters to businesses to solicit donations.

Gordy KC8YVD reported Metro Youth Day saying he participated with John KC8WZM, Rob KC8IJN, and Janet KD8MMJ.

Lee KC8ITI shared his presentation.

\$16.00 was won by Lou W8LPV in the 50/50 drawing.

A motion to adjourn was made by Dave N8ERL then seconded by Joe KD8AFM, Goodnight!

Respectfully Submitted  
Michael Linton, N8XPS  
Secretary

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**Board of Directors Meeting**  
The State Street Texan Restaurant  
August 17, 2011

Duane KD8AUY called the meeting to order at 7:30 with Jeff KC8BDQ, Judy KC8BYI, Doris KD8MMG, Mike KD8MMH, Emmett W8EAB, and Mike N8XPS in attendance.

Secretary's Report: Motion made by Judy KC8BYI and seconded by Mike KD8MMG to accept the minutes as presented within the Harmonic newsletter.

President's Report: It was decided by the membership for the board to determine the dis-pensation of the Rohn 55 tower sections. Duane KD8AUY made and Emmett seconded a motion to sell all sections to the friend of Jeff N8BDQ and Judy N8BYI for \$100 each. The Rosine Tower project has a couple sections up and is a work in progress.

Treasure's Report: Board reviewed what was accepted at general meeting.

New Business: The announcement of a solicitation letter that Lou W8LPV will send out to businesses, sparked discussion on fund raising. The board is thinking of new ways to raise funds.

A motion to adjourn was made by Emmett W8EAB and seconded by Jeff KC8BDQ that ended the meeting at 8:07.

Respectfully Submitted  
Michael Linton, N8XPS  
Secretary



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

Board of Directors meeting - monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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