

# SVARA Harmonic

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Saginaw Valley Amateur Radio Association

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**For ARES Members:** Next training is October 25<sup>th</sup>.

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

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

All dates are Fridays: October 5, November 2, and December 7

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

All dates are Saturdays: October 6, November 3, and December 8

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

All dates are Wednesdays: October 17, November 14, and December 19

General Meeting Minutes  
American Red Cross Building  
September 7, 2012

The meeting called to order by President Judy KC8BYI at 8:05 then led in the pledge of allegiance and introductions.

**Secretary's Report:** The Harmonic news letter was not distributed so we were nearly without minutes to read from. Doris KD8MMG read from her notes of last meeting. A motion was made by Dave N8ERL and seconded by Joe N8CQF to accept minutes as presented and was carried. She mentioned trouble with our Yeasu 897 prompting Jeff KC8BDQ to ask what was wrong. Dave W8DW checked it and all is fine with the radio. He thinks the problem came from the beam because of bad hardware.

**Treasurer's Report:** As presented by Jeff KC8BDQ Emmett W8EAB moved and Doris KD8MMG seconded to accept the July report. John KC8WZM moved and seconded by KC8AFM to accept the August report.

**Care Break Report:** Judy KC8BYI thanked the few that helped man the shifts during Labor Day Weekend. Then she announced that they cannot fill the growing number of wholes in the schedule anymore. We need greater participation.

**Metro Youth Day:** Leo W8LPV brought in a thank you letter and certificate.

**Field Day Update:** Dave W8DW didn't have documentation of results for comparison. But believed he could confirm we had beaten Midland.

**Vice Presidents Report:** Mike KD8MMH read from a list of future ham swaps including one being held in Wyoming and Adrian.

We received \$200 for helping June sell the equipment up of Bill W8KFC at Midland.

**Upcoming events:** Club Breakfast 8th, Board Meeting 19th, and Ares the 27th.

It was reported that Ryan Manz of the Red Cross will be leaving the walls as is. We were asked to help return our supplies to the rooms set aside for us.

Joe K8CQF shared on Jan his wife and Larry WD8RIK and Lou shared on Ilene.

Dave N8ERL showed the certificate to be sent for the Special Event Station.

The board approved the purchase of pencils and ice scrapers.

Tom N8EUI will be presenting a video he has been making on our activities it will also serve as his master's thesis.

Mike KD8MMH has forms for the name/call sign badges. Dave W8DW reported on upcoming contests.

Respectfully Submitted  
Michael Linton, N8XPS  
Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes  
State Street Texan Restaurant  
September 19, 2012

Duane KD8AUY called the meeting to order at 7:35 with Dave N8ERL, Mike N8XPS, Tom N8EUI, Mike KD8MMH, Jeff KC8BDQ, and Judy KC8BYI present.

Dave N8ERL made and Mike KD8MMH seconded the motion to defer voting on the minutes until next month when they may be published in the Harmonic newsletter.

President's Report; Orders of pencils and ice scrapers have been placed. An e-mail from Ryan Manz was received asking if one in our group may have used the building without engaging the alarm. Ares will be holding two exercises. Jim Wades WB8SIW will be here for the Pride in the City festivities.

Chairman's Report: Mike KB8PNR said he could cover overnights. His friends are also interested in becoming associates members. The Rosien Tower project is closer to completion with the latest work that has been done. Tom N8EUI has finished with his interviews and will be presenting the video "Field Day 2012" at the October meeting. Dave N8ERL spoke to Ed W8HZF about a possible donation. Larry WD8RIK has been diagnosed with bladder and will be getting surgery.

Jeff KC8BDQ made and Dave N8ERL seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:15.

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SVARA Members sponsor the 147.240+ PL 103.5 & 224.28 Open Repeaters K8DAC/R and Emergency HF stations at the American Red Cross and auxiliary field operations.

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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