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PARC

PARC News

Wow! The 30th year for this newsletter!

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska

- > MEETING
- > Thursday,
- > Jan. 24, 2019
- > Supper 6 p.m.
- > Meeting 7 p.m.
- > Hero's
- > Gambino's
- > 1900 E. Military
- > Fremont, NE

Emergency Training Available

Here is a course announcement from Tom Smith, Dodge County Emergency Manager, about ICS 300. It will be taught in Ashland on January 26-27 by Saunders County Emergency Management, and in Fremont on February 9-10 by Dodge County Emergency Management. Contact the appropriate office if you would like to attend.

The prerequisites are IS courses 100, 200, 700 and 800. Mel, K0VLA has informed me that many of us took 100, 200, and 700 at Metro Tech in April of 2010. Some of you have taken additional courses on line. I will need to take 800 but it is available from FEMA on line at: <https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-800.c>

Additionally, you can send FEMA a request for past transcripts by downloading a form and mailing it in, which I did today. The form is at:

<https://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/downloads/tranrqst1.pdf?d=10-26-2015>

I plan on taking the course in Fremont.

Dave T. W0NRW, Dodge County Amateur Radio Emergency Service

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**Amateur
Of The Year
2018
Dan Steinhoff
W7UP**

Presented by
Dave W0NRW, PARC
Secretary



**PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MINUTES
FOR NOVEMBER 15 , 2018**

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for November 15, 2018, was called to order at 7 PM by President Tony Renze, K0OMH. 22 people were present, who introduced themselves.

MINUTES and TREASURER’S REPORT: The October minutes and November Treasurer’s Report were approved as printed in the November *PARC News*.

MOTION to PAY BILLS: None.

HOSPITALITY: Since Hero’s/Gabino’s ice machine was not working, Steve Narans, WB0VNF bought a bag of ice for people to use.

EDUCATION: None.

FIELD DAY: Scheduled for Izaak Walton League Park in Fremont on June 22-23, 2019. Don Renze, K0OM Chairman.

FLEA MARKET: Scheduled for North Bend on July 13, 2019. Chairman Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ said he passed out flyers at the Norfolk Hamfest.

PICNIC: Scheduled for Sunday, September 22, 2019 at the Theophilus home. Dave Theophilus, W0NRW and Sharon Martens, KB0TVB Chairpersons.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Scheduled for 530-930 PM on Saturday, December 8, 2018 at The Outer Limits in Valley with Linda Kirchmann, W0ZIP and KB0ZUN as Chairpersons.

NET MANAGER: Mel Cunningham, K0VLA thanked everybody. He has 4 Net Control Operators.

ARES: W0NRW thanked everybody for the snow reports.

PUBLICITY: W0NRW will provide meeting notice dates to Hero’s/Gambino’s and the *Fremont Tribune*.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Dan Steinhoff, W7UP reported that Tom Martin, K0AMD had donated a hand-held radio in August 2017 to go to the next YL in the club who got licensed. The radio was not claimed, so K0AMD has given the radio to Lance Hoffman, WN0L. It was agreed that PARC will meet in Hero’s/Gambino’s in 2018. It was agreed that WN0L will renew the agreement for the hosting of the PARC website. Tom Smith, Dodge County Emergency Manager is looking for suggestions on where and how to hold the 2019 Spotter Training. He also reported that ICS course 300 would be taught in Fremont in February. W7UP reported that Wes Chrisman, KD0PGV would be installing another 2 meter repeater on the tower east of Winslow.

DRAWING: The winner of \$10 was Don Renze, K0OM.

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 735 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

Radio Club Treasurer’s Report November, 2018	
Savings	\$ 348.78
Checking	2,834.29
Petty Cash	33.00
TOTAL	\$3,216.07
INCOME:	
Dues	\$ 13.00
Interest	.44
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 13.44
Expenses:	
Drawing	\$ 10.00
Trophy Case	21.40
Christmas Party	227.85
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$ 259.25

PARC





Dave Bauer, N0LGU, became a Silent Key in late December. Except for the last few years, Dave was very active in PARC and all the activities of the club.

And he was most famous for monitoring the local repeater. You could tune in almost any time of the day and hear him.

Rest in Peace, Dave.

Fremont's Repeaters In ARRL Newsletter

Note the story about the two new repeaters serving Fremont. Dave T W0NRW

The ARRL Midwest Division January 2019 Newsletter is now available

on the Division's Web page. Here's the direct link:

<http://www.arrlmidwest.org/newsletter/newsletter.pdf>

This link always takes you to the current month's newsletter. If this month's newsletter doesn't open, try refreshing the page or clearing your browser's cache, in case your browser is loading a copy of a previous newsletter. Previous newsletters are available at:

<http://www.arrlmidwest.org/> and click on the Newsletter Archives link.

Highlights this month are:

WØT Special Event Report

The Mississippi Valley DX/Contest Club (MVDX/CC)

Announces 2019 Officers

The Raytown Amateur Radio Club's Annual Recognition and Holiday Dinner

The Hammond Award

New Repeaters Serving East-Central Nebraska and the Fremont Area

CW Class ver 2.0

ARRL Membership Trends

Parsons Area Amateur Radio Club

Midwest Division ARRL Hamfests & Conventions

Midwest Division Special Event Stations

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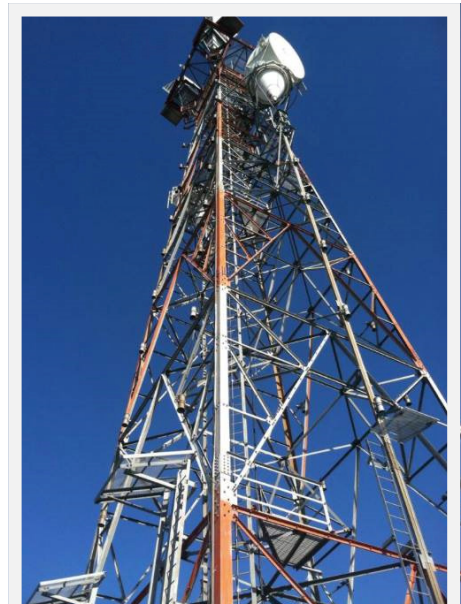
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at: <http://get.adobe.com/reader>

Thanks and 73's, ARRL Midwest Division

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"Ham Spotlight"

Welcome to this weeks "Ham Spotlight".

Dudley Allen KD0NMD is the recipient of the 2017 Nebraska Ham of the Year Award. Dudley hadn't received the award from last year because of an oversight.. So at the Bellevue Amateur Radio Club's January meeting Dudley Allen received the award from Matt Anderson KA0BOJ Nebraska's Section Manager.

Dudley is very active in the Boy Scouts and heads up the local scouting activities with Amateur Radio. He and his fellow club members are instrumental in helping the scouts to obtain their Radio Merit Badges. His dedication to scouting and Amateur Radio are unsurpassed in his passion. Whether it is Jamboree on the Air, a local event or getting kids on the air. Dudley will most likely be in the front leading the pack. Please send Dudley a well earned Congratulations for an Award well deserved.

ARRL Nebraska Section, Section Manager:

Mr Matthew N Anderson, KA0BOJ

PARC Meetings 2019

Here is a list of 2019 PARC meetings. This list is provided to Gambino's, The Fremont Tribune, and a few other interested parties.

PARC will meet at Gambino's/Hero's on the 4th Thursday of the month, with 3 exceptions in September, November and December noted below.

Supper at 6 p.m—Meeting at 7 p.m.

1900 E. Military in Fremont

Jan. 24 Feb. 28 Mar 28

Apr 25 May 23 Jun 27

Jul 25 Aug 22

Sept—Picnic Sept 22. No Meeting

Oct 24

Nov 21—1 week early due to Thanksgiving

Dec Christmas Party. No Meeting

Dave T W0NRW

Nominate A Deserving Ham

Happy New Year and I hope that all is well with you. I need two things from you. First, I will be highlighting 52 hams this year on the Nebraska Section website. So, I will need for you to either submit yourself, or a favorite ham of yours. Maybe your elmer. Either way, I need these as soon as possible. A picture would be great as well to go along with the short article. I am not limiting the size of the bio, but longer than 2 sentences.

Also, it is that time of the year for nominations.
Nebraska Ham of the Year
Nebraska YL Ham of the Year
Nebraska Young Ham of the Year
Skip Miller W0KVM Lifetime Achievement Award
Gwen Anderson Memorial Award - for work behind the scenes.

Nebraska Section Special Services Award - Nominating a ham who does public service or community events either in support of ham radio or even outside the scope. Last years winner traveled down to Haiti to maintain radio and TV stations, as an example.

I am looking forward to hearing from you soon. Please send all emails to

nebraskasm@hotmail.com

73 ARRL Nebraska Section

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Contest Is On for January

The ARRL January VHF Contest is on. I just made 2 contacts, one on 144 and one on 432 SSB with W0LGQ in Crescent IA.

See: <http://www.arrl.org/january-vhf>

Nothing fantastic about that except for the usual lack of mid-west stations on the air. And the contacts were made using my eFactor dual-band antenna 8 feet off the ground!

Last years Nebraska winner in the contest was N2VHZ in western Nebraska with 1 contact. Fire up those rigs!



After spending some time yesterday (Sunday) trying to make a contact on 2 meter SSB during the ARRL VHF Contest with long-time friend Ray, WB0HHM in Sioux Falls, we finally gave up and settled for a good conversation using the old method,

the land-line. Ray told me that there was not a lot of VHF/UHF SSB activity in South Dakota either, but that Ed, W0SD and Don, AA0F, and others were trying to change that.

There is a 2 meter SSB Net on Sunday evenings on 144.270 MHz. The equipment is located at a repeater site near Wessington Springs SD and is operated remotely.

Last night I listened. When Ray texted me that the antenna was pointed toward me, I did hear faint voices but not near enough for a contact.

So, I plan to (1) raise my antenna, and/or add my beam (2) listen again on Sunday evenings.

Give it a try. Maybe we can get more VHF/UHF SSB activity going in Nebraska as well.

Dave T. W0NRW

Wind Not A Friend To Antenna

So much for fiberglass poles holding up in strong winds without guying. The joints on two poles failed. The strongest winds at the Fremont Airport when the pole went down were 35 mph, although it has gusted to 41 mph since.

I had a 6 meter loop and dual band 144/440 on the mast only up about 20 feet. The 6 meter antenna is bent but can be straightened. The 144/440 antenna is ok.

This was just a temporary lash-up to begin with but I will have to re-think my arrangement. I should have kept the aluminum poles and got rid of the fiberglass.

Dave T. W0NRW

How's This For New?

A Winter Field Day!

Just something I want to toss out here.... Just wondering if anyone was thing about doing something for winter field day? There is some info on it in QST.

I think it would be a great club thing if some would be a bit adventurous. More of an operator thing and not so much food and sitting around (cuz you know, its cold out!) I realize that this is short notice, but hey that's what field day is about... the unexpected, and not so nice of weather.... Quick set up antennas by one or two people.

I would probably look a operation from inside my van with a small generator (I have a 2 KW Generac inverter generator) and a small electric heater and some of my portable antennas for an afternoon, maybe on into the early evening. Could even be done as a mobile, but I think the better antenna would be a big help. Could run a K2 or K3, or if someone wanted battery power, IC-703 and KX3.

Anyhow, here's a link to the rules.

Winterfieldday Rules

Just tossing this out for comments ideas, etc. 73, Arnie KA0NCR



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Secretary, Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

Treasurer, Sharon Martens, KB0TVB

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COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Hospitality: Sharon Martens, KB0TVB

Field Day: Don Renze, K0DM

Flea Market: Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ

Picnic: Dave Theophilus, W0NRW &

Sharon Martens, KB0TVB

Christmas Party: Linda Kirchmann, W0ZIP &

Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN

Publicity & ARES: Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

Education: Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN

Net Manager: Mel Cunningham, K0VLA

Joining Our Organization

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Yearly: \$10. per member

Family Yearly: \$10 first member, \$3 each additional member

Paid between Jan. 1—March 1

After March 1, dues are prorated at \$1 per month for new members.

Previous year member's dues remain \$10. whenever paid.

Life Membership: \$200.

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WN0L Reaches A Milestone



Lance Hoffman WN0L submitted Twelve 160m QSL cards for checking by Jeff Reynolds, NE0DX this week. Current confirmed are 90 on LoTW and brings the total to 102 QSOs. In addition to the 8 band DXCC already received and brings the total to 9 band DXCC.