

# PARC News

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska

- > MEETING
- > Thursday,
- > April 25, 2019
- > Supper 6 p.m.
- > Meeting 7 p.m.
- > Hero's
- > Gambino's
- > 1900 E. Military
- > Fremont, NE

## *WB0VNF To Present Program On Flood*

Steve Narans WB0VNF offered to give a program on the flood. He was not able to attend the March meeting, so he will be presenting a program at the upcoming April meeting. He is putting together a slide show to go along with his talk.

As most of you know, he has been coordinating many of the efforts concerning the flood. First it was on the displaced people and the supplies coming in, and now he is working with United Way in the continuing effort.

## *W0NRW And K0VLA At ICS 300 Training*



Here is one of the ICS 300 course that Mel and I took on February 9-10 on Incident Command. Mel, K0VLA is on the left and you can spot my white hair at the table on the right. One of the scenarios that we had to "manage" was a flood. Little did we know what was in store for us in real life that was an omen of what was to come.  
*Dave T. W0NRW, Dodge County ARES*

First day of Incident Command System 300 class wrapping up for the day here in Fremont. The Incident Command System (ICS) is a management system designed to enable effective and efficient domestic incident management. Thanks to Fremont Civil Air Patrol, Pioneer Amateur Radio Club, Omaha Fire Department, and Harrison County Public Health members for attending.

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## PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MINUTES FOR MARCH 28, 2019

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for March 28, 2019, was called to order at 7 PM by President Tony Renze, K0OMH. 26 people were present, who introduced themselves.

**MINUTES and TREASURER'S REPORT:** The February minutes and March Treasurer's Report were approved as printed in the March *PARC News*.

**MOTION to PAY BILLS:** No bills.

**HOSPITALITY:** Sharon Martens, KB0TVB sent a card to Phil (KA0UNB) and Pat Bahl upon the death of Pat's mother.

**EDUCATION:** No report.

**FIELD DAY:** Scheduled for Izaak Walton League Park in Fremont on June 22-23, 2019. Don Renze, K0OM Chairman. The park did not have any flooding.

**FLEA MARKET:** Scheduled for North Bend on July 13, 2019. Chairman Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ.

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

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** Linda Kirchmann, W0ZIP Chairperson sent an email that she had been unable to reach The Outer Limits in Valley to schedule the party. (*Several members later saw a story that The Outer Limits was closed in order to make repairs from the flooding. Linda will continue to try to contact them to schedule the party on December 14 from 530 PM to 930 PM.*)

**NET MANAGER:** Mel Cunningham, K0VLA thanked everybody. He has 4 Net Control Operators. He would like to see more check-ins.

**ARES:** W0NRW said he would have a report on the flooding later in the meeting.

**PUBLICITY:** W0NRW reported that the meeting notice was printed in the *Fremont Tribune*.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mike Campbell, KE0KAZ has upgraded to Extra, which brought a round of applause. W0NRW reported that there is a former Ham in Hooper. He is Cathel Bates, formerly KB0YOO. His license is beyond the grace period for renewal so he will have to retest.

**DRAWING:** The winner of \$10 was Darlene Hoffman, N0LOP.

**PROGRAM:** W0NRW led a wide-ranging discussion of the flooding event, including what went right and what could have been improved on. Everybody that was directly involved had a chance to relate their experience, as well as others who also contributed to the discussion.

**ADJOURN:** The meeting was adjourned at 800 PM.

*Respectfully submitted, Dave Theophilus, W0NRW*

<b>Radio Club Treasurer's Report April, 2019</b>	
Savings	\$ 348.78
Checking	2,840.25
Petty Cash	60.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,249.03</b>
<b>INCOME:</b>	
Dues	\$ 60.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 60.00</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Drawing	\$ 10.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>

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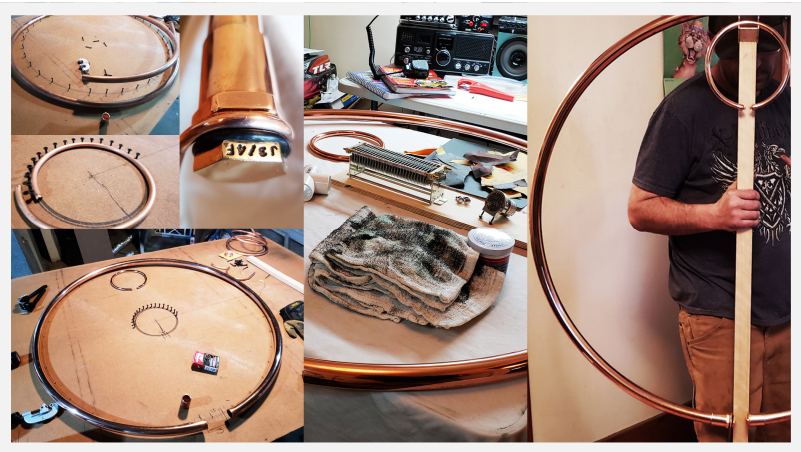
# PARCs Newest Members Are Hard At Work Building Antennas

Just wanted to share some topic pictures of the antennas Nina and I are building. Or construction and work in progress collage.

Pic 1—Mag Loop WIP 20-80 Broadband not sure what I'm going to get out of it until I have passed my general and tech. But it will be a great HF Field Day Antenna.

Pic 2—This is an image of some of the construction of the 1/2 inch copper all weather 2m J-Pole we brought to the last PARC meeting. It should be resonant at 146.670 for ARES. The odd characteristics of the antenna working indoors on a 5 watt handy's currently being my interest. But there's a bit of finish work and a lot of testing still to be done.

73, Wes and Nine. PS. We really need to get our call signs...!! Almost there.



## *Two Special Test Nets For ARES*

Two special sessions of the Dodge County ARES Net on the 146.67 MHz repeater in Fremont (Dodge County NE) were held in support of the NWS Tornado Drill on Wednesday, March 27, 2019.

The first net was activated at 1001 AM when I received the Test Tornado Watch. This net lasted 5 minutes and had 8 check-ins.

The second net was activated at 1016 AM when I received the Test Tornado Warning. This net lasted 7 minutes and had 8 check-ins.

The Test Tornado Watch and Test Tornado Warning were received in multiple ways at my home, including NOAA Weather Radio and Omaha TV. I did not have time to monitor all the stations. There was also an HF net operating on 3.982 MHz, which is I believe is the first time that HF has been used during the tornado drills.

As usual, I used the College of DuPage to receive hard copies of the test messages. I have found this site at:

<https://weather.cod.edu/text/>

to be very reliable and fast for receiving NWS watches and warnings.

The nine amateur stations participating this morning were:

Dave W0NRW

Larry K0SW

Frank K0AJA

Don K0OM

Gary KB0KYM

Mel K0VLA

Lyman WB0IEN

Joe N0XAT

Jack WA0SAQ

Dave T. W0NRW, Dodge County ARES

### PARC Officers & Chairpeople

**President,** Tony Renze, K00MH

**V. President,** Ed Almanshofer, NE0EA

**Secretary,** Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

**Treasurer,** Sharon Martens, KB0TVB

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Jim Sweeney, KB0DYD

Bob Kirchmann, W0ICE

Larry Martens, K0SW & 2 Officers

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

**Hospitality:** Sharon Martens, KB0TVB

**Field Day:** Don Renze, K00M

**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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## PARC Meetings 2019

PARC meets at Gambino's/Hero's on the 4th Thursday  
of the month, with 3 exceptions in September, Novem-  
ber and December noted below. Supper at 6 p.m.—  
Meeting at 7 p.m. 1900 E. Military in Fremont

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

## Larry, K0SW, Hospitalized

Larry Martens, K0SW, is hospitalized at Lakeside hospi-  
tal in Omaha with what was an infection in his knee and  
his doctors have drained it and he is recuperating. He is  
still bothered with back pain so they are continuing to  
look at that.

Larry has called so many nets, so he was really missed  
when he was not available.

We wish him well and a speedy recovery.

## Hamfests

4/27/19 - DMRAA Hamfest in Des  
Moines IA. See: [http://dmraa.com/  
hamfest](http://dmraa.com/hamfest)

6/01/19 - 3900 Club Hamfest in Boone  
IA. See: [http://www.3900club.com/  
Pg6.html](http://www.3900club.com/Pg6.html)

7/13/19 - PARC Flea Market in North  
Bend NE. See: <http://www.k0jfn.com/>

7/25/19 Central State VHF Society  
Conference in Lincoln  
NE. See: <https://www.csvhfs.org/>

8/24/19 - Northern Plains Regional Ra-  
dio Council Hamfest in Worthington  
MN.