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THE CANTON AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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Amateur Radio Installation at Crenshaw Middle School

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EVERY 3RD WED 6:15P
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IS APRIL 1, 2010

EDITOR

Dale Lamm NX8J

Canton ARC members Bill Hannon N8PW and John Kalafice W0OZZ have been teaching fundamentals of amateur radio to a class of 7th and 8th graders at Crenshaw Middle School. One result of that is several new Technician grade amateurs in the greater Canton area.

On Saturday January 23 Bill and John were assisted by Matt Stephens KK8Y and Dale Lamm NX8J with the final installation of a rooftop R8 antenna. Two students, Cameron and Markala, also lent a hand. In days prior, Bill and John had extended coax feedline to the school shack and mounted a VHF antenna for two meters.



As Pam Kalafice watches, students Cameron and Markala assist with mounting an R8 antenna

*Cushcraft R8
HF antenna*



Once the R8 was mounted, the group retreated to the shack. Dale had loaned the class an IC-735 100 watt HF rig (which was donated to him by a ham who wanted to see the equipment used with young people). After a quick tune-up, three contacts were made on 40 meters with hams in New York and North Carolina.

John's wife Pam is a guidance counselor at Crenshaw and the group advisor (plus a newly licensed Technician, KD8MUC!).

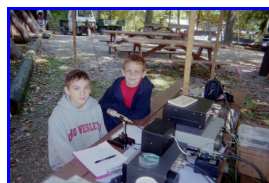
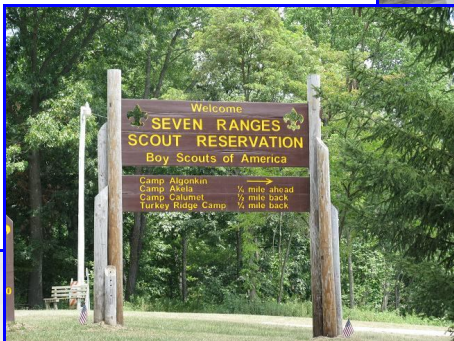
*Editor's note: In the electronic edition of FEEDLINE,
you can **click on URL's** to take your computer to the site.*

Venturing Crew 73 Activities and News

Canton ARC sponsors Venturing Crew 73, which is a sub-organization within the Boy Scouts of America. BSA units must re-charter by March 1 to remain active in 2010. Crew 73 is now recruiting youth members for the upcoming season. If you know of young men or women between the ages of 14 and 20 who would like to explore amateur radio in the context of a BSA unit, steer them to Dale NX8J or Bill N8PW.

Information about BSA's Venturing program can be seen at this URL

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/Venturing.aspx>



AREA NETS

STARK CO ARES NET
TUESDAY
FM 7:00 PM 147.120

ALLIANCE ARC
THURSDAY
CW 8:00 PM 28.400
SSB 8:30 PM 28.400
FM 9:00 PM 145.370

MASSILLON ARC
2ND, 3RD & 4TH
FRIDAY
FM 8:00 PM 147.180

CUYAHOGA FALLS ARC
MONDAY
FM 8:30 PM 147.270

PORTAGE COUNTY ARS
THURSDAY
FM 8:00 PM 146.895

LAKE ERIE ARA
THURSDAY
FM 8:00 PM 146.760

GOODYEAR ARC
THURSDAY
FM 7:30 PM 146.985

WOOSTER ARC DX GRP
THURSDAY
FM 8:00 PM 147.345
(110.9 PL)

WEST STARK INFO NET
THURSDAY
FM 8:00 PM 147.180

MASSILLON RADIO NET
SUN, TUE, THU
CW 7:30 PM 3599.5
8:30 PM DURING EDT

HOMELAND SECURITY NET
LAST TUE OF MONTH
FM 8:00 PM 147.51
(SIMPLEX)

Have a NET you would like to see publicized here?

Please send details to Feedline editor at:

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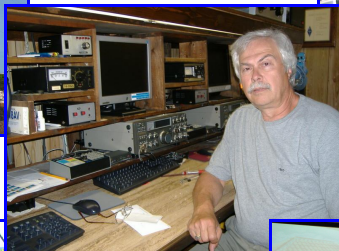
Annual Banquet A Success

January 20 was the date of Canton ARC's annual banquet. We were pleased to host "Goose" Steingass W8AV of the Wooster DX Group. He entertained all with a very informative picture show of the Caribbean amateur station PJ2T.

Goose had some interesting stories about the difficulties of maintaining an amateur station in a salt-air tropical environment. Sort of makes you glad to be in cold, snowy Ohio!

PJ2T is a elaborate contest station set up on the island of Curacao. The station has it's own web site at this URL

<http://asgard.kent.edu/cc/pj2t.station.home.page.htm>



**W8AV
PJ2T**



OSSBN Returns to Regular Schedule

Beginning Monday, February 15, 2010 the Ohio Single Sideband Net (OSSBN) will be returning to the regular time for the afternoon and evening nets.

The afternoon net will return to 4:15 pm and the evening net to 6:45 pm, local times. The morning net continues to meet at 10:30 am local time.

Thanks and 73,
Ron N8OD, OSSBN Net Manager

Ed: The net frequency is 3972.5 KHz, URL is <http://www.qsl.net/ossbn/>

SWAP COLUMN

No Items This Issue

SELLING? WANT TO BUY?
Please send details to
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CANTON ARC WEB SITE
www.w8al.org

MASSILLON ARC WEB SITE
www.marcradio.org

ALLIANCE ARC WEB SITE
www.w8lky.org

STARK COUNTY ARES
www.wd8aye.org

TUSCO ARC
tuscoarc.org

PORTAGE COUNTY ARS
www.portcars.org

LAKE ERIE ARA
www.leara.org

USA NOAA RADAR
radar.weather.gov

ARRL
www.arrl.org

ARRL OHIO SECTION
www.iarc.ws

QCWA CHAPTER 21
www.cmh.net/~jpvsr

DX-SUMMIT
<http://www.dxsummit.fi>
[Note NEW address]

**INTL MORSE PRESERVATION
SOCIETY**
www.fi-sts.org

CQ MAGAZINE
www.cq-amateur-radio.com

CONTEST CALENDAR
www.hornucopia.com/contestcal

**WEB SITE
OF THE BI-MONTH**

<http://www.w8al.org>

We should all be very thankful that Justin Corner W8JKC has volunteered to maintain the club's web site. Visit our site and notice the many improvements. Good job!

The Elmer Speaks

This issue, Elmer would like to share a poem he found while reading an industry trade magazine. The author is Robert H. Davis. It was written sometime in the early 1900's.

I Am Radio

by Robert H. Davies

Distance nor barrier opposes me. Through all space I fling my mysterious reverberations.

I am the whisper that leaps the hemisphere, the song that echoes around the world, the cadence that rides the ether in a thousand tongues.

I am the wisdom of the ages revived in a single breath, the lullaby of the cradle, the thunder of war, the voice of the state.

I am the litany and the surpliced choir, the trumpet and the reed, the bow and the string, the singer and the song in key with the cosmic chords.

I am the rhythm to dancing feet. I sway the world in rhapsody to the measure of beating hearts. I am the universal orchestra in tune with carnival. I am the life of the marketplace, the thrill of the race, the roar of the ring, the fury of the forum, the cheers of the coliseum. I am the comrade of the sick, the courier to the lonely, the ally that knows no frontier.

I am all of the voices of the earth and the murmur of the multitude merged into one vast articulation.

I am the message from the microphone. I am the conqueror of the void.

I am the triumph of the centuries.

I am radio.

litany: form of prayer consisting of a series of invocations

surplice: a loose, wide-sleeved outer ecclesiastical vestment



Can You Identify the QTH?

Below is a photo of N8YB Jerry Shrigley's daughter taken while operating "mobile", sort of.

Can you ID the exact location?

First person (Shrigleys excluded) with the correct answer is the winner. Results in next issue of FEEDLINE!

The winner will have the honor of seeing his/her name in **bold typefont** in the next FEEDLINE.

Have an odd QTH? Send photo to FEEDLINE editor.



Hints

The "mobile" station is now fastened to a structure, although the station was very mobile when it was in service. This station is less than an hour's drive from Canton.

Stark County VHF QSO Party on April 10

Word comes from the Alliance ARC that planning for the 2010 Stark County VHF QSO Party is nearly finished. At the Alliance ARC club meeting on February 3, proposed contest rules were passed around and final debate ensued.

This is going to be a SIMPLEX two meter contest, with points accumulated by contacting the 36 townships, cities and villages in Stark county. There will be three operating club stations, Massillon, Canton and Alliance. Sounds like a fun afternoon!

When the contest is formally announced, look for the official rules to be posted on the Alliance ARC's web site.

URL is <http://w8lky.org>

Previous QTH Puzzle Results

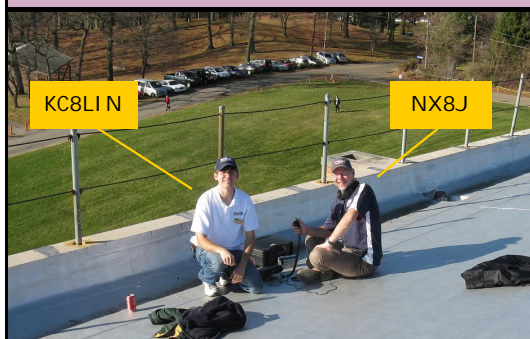
Below are two genuine operating locations.

Can you ID the locations and operators?

WE HAVE WINNERS!

John Kalafice W0OZZ correctly ID's the top photo as the roof of Paul Brown Tiger Stadium. The two operators were taking a break from their duties during a football broadcast. Massillon defeated GlenOak's Eagles, by the way.

The bottom photo was more of a challenge. **Scott Duncan KK8D** could not pick the location, but he did identify the setup's owner, N8PW. Scott's logic was flawless, but it cannot be repeated here. Ask Scott.



Hints

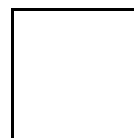
Picture above was taken November 14. Operators contacted Hawaii on 15 meters using 10 watts SSB and a 60 foot "top fed" vertical.

Picture below was taken on a CARC member's recent vacation trip



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IMPORTANT CLUB DATES FOR 2010

Feb 17 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM
Mar 17 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM
Apr 10 - Proposed date for Stark County VHF QSO Party
Apr 21 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM
May 19 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM
Jun 16 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM
June 26-27 - ARRL Field Day (setup Friday June 25)
Jul 21 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM
Aug 18 - Wednesday meeting at Stark EOC, 7:30 PM