



The Spirit of '76 and '88

Newsletter of the Lake Erie Amateur Radio Association

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This Month's Meeting — August 29, 2006

ARRL Night!

**Joe Phillips, K8QOE, Ohio Section Manager
Dinner 6:30 PM, Program Begins at 7:30 PM
Dimitri's Restaurant @ Snow and Broadview Rds.**

It is a good idea to pay attention when Section Manager Joe Phillips, K8QOE, comes to LEARA August 29 meeting. Seven years when he spoke to LEARA, he said (1) that Cavs center Zildrunus Ilgauskas would never amount to much; (2) Tribe Catcher Sandy Alomar, Jr. would never leave Cleveland and (3) Middleburg Heights would receive the Cuyahoga County Beautification Award. Then two years ago, he said the Browns would immediately begin a five time playoff run and oil would be discovered in Fairview Park. No wonder we don't invite him to be here very often. (Editor's note: Imagine what Field Day would be like if El Presidente Eric from Fairview Park latches on to some petro-dollars!) Anyway the head of the Ohio Section of the ARRL will be the featured speaker at our August meeting at Dimitri's Restaurant.

Dinner is served at 6:30 PM, with the meeting and program beginning at 7:30 PM. Dinner choices (Chicken Parmigiana, Steak or Broiled Scrod) are \$15 per person, and reservations are required if you wish to eat. Call Marv Grossman at (440) 248-0031 or online at leara.org.

A Note About This Issue...

Due to a stack-up of a lot of events, I haven't had the time and ability to put together a normal newsletter. I hope to correct this next month.

You can help keep the quality of the newsletter up as well. Any contributions that can enhance the information flow to members is more than welcome. I still have about 130 emails to run through. I apologize to anyone who sent an item that didn't make it. I'll try to get them next month.

...de Joe KC8RAN

July Meeting: Picnic Meeting at Oak Grove



Picture from Jim N8XDO

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Joe Prokop, KC8RAN

de N8AUC

The summer is slipping away fast, folks! Here it is August already, and Robin has already started back to school shopping for the kids. It seems like the older I get the faster time seems to go. I have a theory about why this is, but I won't bore you with details on that. You probably don't want to hear it anyways.

How's your antenna installation holding up? Is it ready to survive another Cleveland winter? Yes I know that thinking about winter can be depressing this time of year, but so are the electricity bills for running the air conditioning in July and August.

Seriously though, now is the time to inspect your antennas and feedlines so you'll be able to sit inside where it's warm, and play radio this winter. Just be careful doing it though. This is a good time to think about replacing weathered feedlines, making sure that your connections are well water-proofed, and things like that. I've been told many times that antennas that are installed during the winter when the weather is bad, work better than when you do it in nice weather. But I've never had a burning desire to test that theory. I'd rather work on things outdoors when I could have feeling in my fingers and toes, instead of being numb from the cold.

The Cleveland Triathlon went well this year. We sure could have used more help though. Using the hot weather as an excuse doesn't cut it either folks. The weather on July 23rd was gorgeous, and it wasn't hot that day. And just as Tom KA8BZB said, we were indeed done around noon.

Pedal to the Point is coming up real soon. It may even be over with and in the history books by the time you read this. But just in case you read this before the weekend of August 19/20, Jeff N8YNR is still looking for more help with that one. Just think about "flying pancakes". Contact Jeff if you want to know more about that.

The annual club picnic WAS the July meeting. We had a good time, the weather held up pretty well, and no migrating salamanders were injured in the preparation or enjoyment of that event. The reason why we had to only

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LEARA is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to Amateur Radio and to Public Service. Club information packets and applications for membership are available from **Marv Grossman, W8AZO, 440-248-0031**, or may be downloaded from our web site at www.leara.org. Annual membership is \$18.00. LEARA's address is: LEARA, PO Box 22823, Beachwood, OH 44122-0823.

LEARA is an ARRL-affiliated club. When you join or renew the ARRL, LEARA benefits monetarily if you so through the club. Send ARRL Applications/renewals to Club Treasurer Dave Foran WB8APD, 5439 Nan Linn Dr. Willoughby, OH 44094-4365. Make the check payable to LEARA, not the ARRL.

Membership Meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month except December at Dimitri's Restaurant, 1830 Snow Rd., Parma, OH (in the Mid-Town Shopping Center, just west of Broadview Road). Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Meetings are open to all interested persons. You may attend without eating, but **reservations are required** if you do wish to eat. Call **Marv Grossman, W8AZO at 440-248-0031** to leave a message.

Trustees' Meetings are held on the second Saturday of odd numbered months at 9:00 a.m. at the Parma-Snow Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, 2121 Snow Rd., Parma, OH (opposite the Mid-Town Shopping Center). Meetings are open to all current members of LEARA.

Hamfest Listing

20 Aug 2006

Warren Amateur Radio Assn Hamfest

KSU-Trumbull County Campus
4314 Mahoning Ave (Rte 45) and
Rts 5/82 Bypass

Outdoor flea market and indoor exhibits
http://kc8pvb.com/hamfest_flyer__2.pdf

Contact: Jackie Williams

Phone (440)

Email: jaquelinewilliams03@hotmail.com

24 Sep 2006

Cleveland Hamfest and Computer Show

Hamfest Association of Cleveland

<http://www.hac.org>

Talk-In: 146.73 (PL 110.9)

Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds

Contact: Hamfest Association of Cleveland, Inc.

PO Box 81252

Cleveland, OH 44181-0252

Phone: 800-CLE-FEST

Email: info@hac.org

Volunteer Exam Dates and Locations

(from the ARRL website)

20-Aug-2006

Sponsor: LORAIN COUNTY ARA RED CROSS

Time: 1:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: CHARLES S HALL (216)433-3036

Email: VE@W8HF.COM

Location: AMERICAN RED CROSS 2929 W RIVER RD N
WWW.W8HF.COM (HOME PAGE) ELYRIA, OH 44035

20-Aug-2006

Sponsor: WARREN ARA (Warren Hamfest-see notice)

Time: 9:30 AM registration

Contact: DENNIS CARRERHER (330) 92404342

Email N8IVE@ARRL.ORG

Location: KSU-Trumbull County Campus

4314 Mahoning Ave (Rte 45) and

Rts 5/82 Bypass

05-Sep-2006

Sponsor: CUYAHOGA FALLS ARC

Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: BRUCE M FERRY (330)929-2766

Location: STOW-MUNROE FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

3512 DARROW STOW, OH 44224

RD [HTTP://WWW.AK8B.US/VE](http://WWW.AK8B.US/VE)

10-Sep-2006

Sponsor: CUYAHOGA ARS

Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: GARY S DEWEY (216)642-8705

Email: GDEWEY@EN.COM

Location: TOWN HALL 6652 BRECKSVILLE RD

STATE ROUTE 21 INDEPENDENCE, OH 44131

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use the Brecksville Road entrance to the Metroparks, wasn't because of the flood damage to the roads, it was because of migrating salamanders. I've never heard of that before, but that was really the case. It was nice to see Ed KD8ZK and his lovely bride at the picnic. You only get to see them at the picnic, and at the annual holiday party. The food was good, the fellowship was good, and it was a nice way to spend an evening.

We'll be back at Dimitri's for the August meeting. And I'll have a survey for those of you who attend. Plans are under way for the 2007 ARRL Great Lakes Division Convention, which will be held in Cleveland. A large part of what is a Division Convention is education and seminars. The survey is intended to find out what you would like to see as seminar topics, so make sure to join us at Dimitri's on the 29th for our normal dinner meeting.

73 de N8AUC (da prez)

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VOICE REPEATERS:

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| 53.230/R- | • Highland Hills (136.5 Hz tone) |
| 146.76/R- | • Highland Hills (Use 110.9 Hz tone for remote inputs in Lakewood, Newbury & Willoughby) |
| 146.88/R- | • Lakewood (Requires 110.9 Hz tone) |
| 224.90/R- | • Lakewood (141.3 Hz tone) |
| 444.40/R+ | • Highland Hills (131.8 Hz tone) |
| 444.70/R+ | • Lakewood (131.8 Hz tone) |
- (.76, .88, .90 and .70 offer emergency and member-only autopatch lines.)

PACKET NODES: CLE1 145.01 MHz: CLE5 145.05 MHz: CLEV220 223.70 MHz

These nodes are part of the Cleveland Net Cluster in K8EIW's backbone system.

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| GENERAL: NBRY | • 145.07 MHz & 223.70 MHz (KA-NODE) |
| NBRYX | • 145.07 MHz ⇔ 223.70 MHz Gateway |
| LEARA | • 145.07 MHz & 223.70 MHz PBBS |

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