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## Newsletter of the Holland Amateur Radio Club November 2010



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### 2010 Meetings

November 9, 2010  
December 14, 2010

Annual Banquet at Beechwood Inn  
Year-end business and elections  
7:00 pm Kollen Park Fire Station

### Meetings Change Day and Location in 2011

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month  
7:00 pm  
Ottawa County Red Cross  
270 James Street  
Holland, Michigan 49424

### 2011 Meeting Dates

January 10, 2011  
February 14, 2011  
March 14, 2011  
April 11, 2011  
May 9, 2011  
June 13, 2011  
July 11, 2011  
August 8, 2011  
September 12, 2011  
October 10, 2011  
November 14, 2011  
December 12, 2011

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### Megan's Message and Musings

November's word of the month: CHANGE

The dictionary lists the definition of this word as:  
–verb (used with object)

To make the form, nature, content, future course, etc., of  
(something) different from what it is or from what it would be if  
left alone.

The month of November will bring a lot of changes in many  
different ways to the Holland Amateur Radio Club. There will be  
changes in our surroundings, in our meetings and in our training,  
and all of these changes will be moving in a forward direction.

**Local Repeaters****Holland ARC****HARC****147.060 MHz K8DAA**

+0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL  
HARC Net every Monday 7:30 pm  
OCEC Net 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday 7:00 pm

**443.825 MHz K8DAA**

+5.0MHz offset 94.8Hz PL  
IRLP Node 4373

**146.500 MHz K8DAA**

+1.0 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**North Ottawa ARC****NOARC****145.490 MHz W8CSO**

-0.6 MHz offset  
Grand Haven 94.8Hz PL  
Grand Rapids 91.5Hz PL  
Net every Tuesday 7:00pm

**Allegan County ARC****ACARC****147.240 MHz AC8RC**

+0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**Independent Repeater Association****IRA****147.160 MHz W8HVG**

+0.6 MHz offset  
Grand Rapids 94.8Hz PL  
Holland 118.8 Hz PL  
Michigan Traffic Net 9:00pm  
Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
& Sunday

**Local Simplex****National****146.520 MHz****OCEC****147.520 MHz****HARC****146.430 MHz**

Since the beginning of the year our classroom attendance and monthly meeting attendance began to increase, and we soon realized that we were rapidly outgrowing the facility.

Our club meetings could no longer accommodate the members and guests in comfort, and there were some additional concerns for safety.

Our classes began to fill available space in the main room, and we had to consider limiting the number who could sign up. The Board room began bursting at the seams when filled with our Board members and Chairmen of our various activities.

The popular Saturday breakfasts and Open Mike Nights showed us that the clubhouse kitchen was just a bit too small.

Ken Groom negotiated a three-year lease for our 'clubhouse' and we were subsequently offered several extensions, and all told we enjoyed a six years of use of the building! However, the recent discovery that the roof and chimney were severely damaged has prompted the City to list the property for sale, and so we must reluctantly make changes.

"Why we don't just keep meeting at the Kollen Park Fire Station?" you might ask. Well, the Fire Department is turning that room into a training center. You may have noticed that book cases and supplies kept multiplying each month. Recently the Fire Department asked our club, and other who also meet in this room, to look for other facilities.

After a timely meeting with the new Executive Director of the Red Cross of Ottawa County, Mr. Mike Mitchell, K9SKP, the Red Cross graciously offered us meeting space in their facility, so we have found a new "home" and must make changes to accommodate this move.

Some things will change:

Beginning in January 2011 our General Membership Meetings will move to the second Monday of the month, and the Board Of Directors will meet the first Monday of the month.

A lot of things will not change:

We will continue to offer informative monthly presentations, and there will still be coffee and cookies to keep you all, and our Treasurer, happy!

We will continue to offer CW training and radio licensing classes.

We will continue to promote social gatherings, including Ham is for Breakfast, and Donuts at Donutville,

We will continue to offer our help to serve the community.

**SKYWARN Nets****Ottawa County – South****147.060 MHz K8DAA**

+0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**Ottawa County – North****145.490 MHz W8CSO**

-0.6 MHz offset

Grand Haven 94.8Hz PL

Grand Rapids 91.5Hz PL

**Note: Ottawa County north and south repeaters are linked for SKYWARN nets**

**Allegan County****147.240 MHz AC8RC**

+0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**Kent County****147.260 MHz W8DC**

+0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**Muskegon County****146.820 MHz**

-0.6 MHz offset 94.8Hz PL

**Michigan Hamfests**

Details available from

[www.arrl.org/hamfests.html](http://www.arrl.org/hamfests.html)**2011****Jan 16 Hazel Park****Feb 20 Livonia****April 02 Lowell**

The facts are that we must leave the building and the building will be demolished. There is sadness in leaving "Ken's House" but I am confident that these changes will ultimately bring good results.

Besides, I can't imagine that Ken would be disappointed with these changes, especially knowing that we have become one of the largest, most active and best prepared amateur radio clubs in West Michigan.

I fact, I think he would be proud of us!

Meg  
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**Upcoming Schedule Changes**

The December 14, 2010 Membership Meeting will be our last meeting at the Holland Fire Station.

**Beginning January, 2011**

- **General Membership Meetings** move to 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at the Ottawa County Red Cross, 270 James Street in Holland, Michigan. Meetings still start at 7:00pm.
- **Board of Directors Meetings** move to the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday.

**Make Your Banquet Reservations NOW!**

Our annual Banquet will be held at the Beechwood Inn, 380 Douglas, in Holland, Michigan. The Banquet kicks off at 6:30pm. Dinner is served all-you-can-eat "family style" so this is not the night to count calories!

For starters, you may enjoy fried mushrooms, onion rings, fresh baked rolls and a dinner salad. Dinner includes lake perch, baked chicken, Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, and country fresh corn. Then, don't forget to save room for ice cream and cake.

This feast is available for the sum of \$20 per person and includes all of the food, plus coffee, tea and soft drinks, sales tax and tip.

Your reservation must arrive not later than November 5, 2010 in the hands of Sue Seidelman, KC8RQS. Please include a check made payable to "HARC" and send it to 46 West 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Holland MI 49423. You may also contact Sue at (616) 394-9821 if you have any questions.

## Ham of the Year

This ham is not food, it is about service to our club and community. Dave Lamer, WA8RSA, and Jim Lamberts, KC8KE, are taking nominations for Ham of the Year. We give this award to a person who does many things for the club.

Please take a moment to call or send an email our nominations committee.

Jim, KC8KE email to [kc8ke@arrl.net](mailto:kc8ke@arrl.net) or call (616) 399-6002

Dave, WA8RSA email to [wa8rsa@arrl.net](mailto:wa8rsa@arrl.net) or call (616) 772-1391

## Meet, Greet and Eat

Times and places to meet fellow amateurs

**Donuts @ Donutville** every Wednesday at 2:30pm, 676 Michigan Avenue in Holland. Stop by for coffee and conversation.

**"HAM is for Breakfast"** last Saturday of each month at 9:00am.

We meet and eat at the Southside Inn, 192 West 35th Street in Holland, just east of Washington Avenue. We have tables in the back room. Members, spouses, friends, family, and anyone else interested in amateur radio are welcome.

## Upcoming Public Service Opportunities

Please contact each event's coordinator for more information.

### **Parade of Lights**

Tuesday, November 30, 2010

Contact Ivan DeWitt, K8EMU

[ide Witt@charter.net](mailto:ide Witt@charter.net)

Ike needs several volunteers for this annual parade to usher in Santa Claus.

## Nets of Interest

Compiled by Tom Wilson, KD8DEG

### **Sunday**

8:30 AM	50.400	AM	Grand Rapids
8:00 PM	145.270	FM	Lowell Club
8:00 PM	50.400	AM	Kalamazoo, Gary K8BKB
8:00 PM	147.240	FM	Allegan, Jim AC8AG
9:00 PM	50.150	USB	Zeeland, Charlie N8QEM
9:30 PM	144.155	USB	Holland, Bill K8NFT

### **Monday**

7:30 PM	147.060+	FM	HARC 2m Net. Ed, KF8EV, Net Manager
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### **Tuesday**

7:00 PM	144.222	USB	Kalamazoo, K8BKB Gary
9:30 PM	50.300	USB	Kalamazoo, K8BKB Gary
9:00 PM	145.270	FM	MDXA, Dave KC8PCL
9:30 PM	50.400	AM	Kalamazoo, K8BKB Gary

### **Wednesday**

8:00 PM	28.380	USB	Allegan
9:00 PM	50.140	USB	Cedar Springs, AC8AH Jerry

### **Thursday**

6:30 PM	147.520	FM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month, OCEC Simplex Net
7:00 PM	147.060+	FM	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday each month, OCEC Repeater Net
7:00 PM	147.160+	FM	Michigan youth, 22 and younger
7:00 PM	28.055	CW	CW round table and rag chew
8:00 PM	146.800+	FM	MAARC weekly Net

### **Daily**

7:00 PM	50.200	USB	Cadillac, round tables
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If you know of any other nets, please let me know and I'll add them to the list.

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