



SVARA Harmonic

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Saginaw Valley Amateur Radio Association

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- **SVARA Meeting Presentations**

We are always looking for ideas for meeting presentations. If you have an idea for a presentation or would like to do a presentation after one of our meetings, please contact Mike KD8MMH or any of the board members with your idea.

- **SVARA MONDAY NIGHT 2 METER NET**

Every Monday at 9:00 PM local time, on the Saginaw repeater – K8DAC 147.24, with a 103.5 PL tone or via EchoLink. All are welcome and encouraged to join in.

Club Meeting Time and Place:

Covenant Hospital Anderson building, first floor lecture room on the corner of N. Bond St. and Almira St. on the 1ST Friday at 7:00PM unless otherwise noted. Changes are posted to the club website.

Club Meeting Dates:

All dates are Fridays: January 4, February 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, August 2, September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6

Club Breakfast Dates (Savoy bar and Grill on Franklin St.):

A club breakfast is held monthly on the Saturday morning after the meeting, 8:30 a.m. All dates are Saturdays. January 5, February 2, March 2, April 6, May 4, June 8, August 3, September 7, October 5, November 2, December 7

Board Meeting Dates (at Biggby Coffee, 3085 Bay Rd.):

The Board of Directors meets monthly on the 2nd Week following the general membership meeting, 7:00 p.m. at Biggby Coffee on Bay Rd. Dates for the new year are being decided. Changes in meeting dates are posted on the club website.

All dates for 2019 are to be announced at this time.

ARES Members:

Ares training for January is Preparing for Deployment. Winter Field Day planning will also be discussed. Visit the Ares website for more information. Ares training for February is Operational Stress.

Weekly Nets Please join us. All licensed operators are welcome.

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| District 3 Net 145.310 Sunday 6:30 PM | SVARA (Saginaw) 147.240 Monday 9:00 PM | MARC (Midland) 147.000 Thursday 9:00 PM |
| D3 Digital Training Net (Olivia 8/500) Seasonal 3.586 MHz USB Sunday 8:00 PM | BAARC (Bay City) 145.310 Tuesday 9:00 PM | MI Digital Traffic Net (Olivia 8/500) 3.583 MHz USB Tues, Thurs, Sat 8:00 PM |

Saginaw Valley ARA meeting minutes for May 3,2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM by Brian K8HY, who lead the pledge of allegiance with 14 members and 2 guests present.

Gordy KC8YVD, made a motion to accept last month's meeting minutes as published in the harmonic news and was seconded by Ron KC8VYF. The motion passed.

Gordy KC8YVD, made a motion to accept the April treasurer's report and was seconded by Dave W8DW. The motion passed.

Gordy KC8YVD, made a motion to accept the May treasurer's report and was seconded by Ron KC8VYF. The motion passed.

Upcoming ham swaps were mentioned.

Dave W8DW, mentioned upcoming contests and also discussed his experience in the Michigan QSO party.

Field Day was discussed briefly. A presentation is planned for the June meeting.

Ron KC8VYF, discussed the upcoming Frankenmuth MS walk as well as the upcoming SET.

Mike KD8MMH, mentioned the upcoming Dow run/walk and discussed delivering the Frankenmuth Credit Union "Thank you plaque" to a representative during the Frankenmuth MS walk.

The motion to adjourn was made by Gordy KC8VYD, and seconded by Horst KD8ZXR.

Saginaw Valley ARA board meeting minutes for May 13, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm by Mike N8XPS with Mike KD8MMH, Dave W8DW, Mary WB8LZA, Horst KD8ZXR, Tom N8EUI, Anne KB8AWE present and Mike K8AVJ, present by phone.

Mike KD8MMH, made a motion to accept last month's board meeting minutes as published in the harmonic news and was seconded by Dave W8DW. The motion passed.

President's Report

The president discussed the need to check on the insurance for the club, as it is needed for Field Day. Anne KB8AWE will call Mercer Insurance and try to get the insurance taken care of.

Vice President's Report

The Vice President was not present.

Secretary's Report

The secretary reported on Field Day preparations and needs. The ideas about set up and food were tabled until the next club meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer had no report.

Chair's Report

Mike KD8MMH, reported on upcoming events including the Midland Ham Swap June 15th. He mentioned there are still items in the club trailer that can be sold at the Swap. He also mentioned the Saginaw County SET occurring on May 16th.

General Discussion

The General discussion was in regard to a problem with the Fusion cross talking with the 2-4 machine. Other comments included the repeater doing an I.D. while someone was transmitting. Discussion followed that it was a standard process to have the I.D. occurring in ten minute intervals was the result of how the system is currently configured.

The motion to adjourn was made by Dave W8DW, and seconded by Mike N8XPS.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Elias K8AVJ
Secretary

ARRL News

Radio Amateurs to Demonstrate Emergency Messaging Capabilities for Red Cross, FEMA

Just days ahead of the 2019 hurricane season, dozens of hams along the US East Coast will demonstrate Amateur Radio's ability to deliver messages without commercial power, infrastructure, or permanently established stations for officials of the American Red Cross and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The Thursday, May 23, event will take place in coordination with ARRL, during a joint meeting with Red Cross and FEMA officials in Baltimore.



**American
Red Cross**

The demonstration will be a mock response to a simulated disaster scenario -- a major hurricane with mass casualties striking the east coast.

Amateur Radio operators at portable stations from New England to the Carolinas will deliver messages to W1AW, which will then coordinate and deliver the information to officials attending the joint FEMA-Red Cross meeting in Baltimore.

Messaging will be handled using digital modes, which can allow for the transmission of images as well as text, as a showcase for the full range of modern Amateur Radio technology. The American Red Cross will also have a NexGen Emergency Response Vehicle parked at W1AW in Connecticut as part of the training exercise, which will take place from 1330 to 1530 UTC.

ARRL and its members have a long history of working with emergency response agencies, such as the American Red Cross and FEMA, to provide or support communication in times of disaster for [served agencies and partners](#). A principal served agency, the Red Cross shelters, feeds, and provides emotional support to victims of disasters.



Do you need help programming your HT? Come to the next meeting, bring your HT, any manuals you have, and we will do our best to help. Don't have a manual? We'll still give it a try.

2019 SVARA Officers

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| President | Mike Linton N8XPS | Board Member | |
| Vice-President | Brian Kleinfeld K8HY | Term expires 2019 | Doris Miles KD8MMG |
| Secretary | Mike Elias K8AVJ | Board Member | Tom Schmidt N8EUI |
| Treasurer | Anne Elias KB8AWE | Term expires 2020 | |
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| | | Term expires 2021 | |

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