



# North Ottawa Amateur Radio Club

## SPARK for DECEMBER 2009



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Ho, Ho, Ho! Merry Christmas! How's DX?

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Activities Director	VACANT	

## COMING EVENTS

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Saturday, December 12 HAM IN A DAY by Muskegon Emergency Services.

Cost: \$45.00 Includes license test fee

Location: Muskegon Community College, Room 1118.  
Muskegon, MI.

Pre-Registration is required to reserve a spot in the class

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Monday, December 21 NOARC CHRISTMAS PARTY A potluck beginning at 6:00 PM  
at the Spring Lake Library. Ham and Coffee provided by NOARC, bring the rest!

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**\*\*\*\*\* Net Control Schedule \*\*\*\*\***

If you are unable to keep your appointment as Net Control, **please** arrange for a replacement.

**DECEMBER 09**

- 1 N8RXC ROGER SIMMONS**
- 8 N8YQD JOHN SUNDSTROM**
- 15 N8FQ JOE VELDHUIS**
- 22 KC8UNY JOHN FISCHER**
- 29 W8IQE PAUL ZELLAR**

More net control volunteers are needed as we lose some to warmer climes. Don't be bashful and join the Tuesday night fun. No one should have to do it more than once a month. Call Paul, W8IQE.

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## NOVEMBER MINUTES

We counted seventeen members, a larger than usual group of hams, showed up at the Spring Lake Library. We suspect many showed up for the presentation Paul Zellar made. Phyllis Simmons outdid herself with an array of brownies, cookies, apples, etc. President John Fischer brought coffee and we started out the meeting munching on the goodies.

President Fischer started out the meeting with introductions. Each amateur giving his or her first name and call sign.

The meeting was then turned over to Treasurer John Sundstrom. He presented a slate of officers for the year 2010. They are as follows: President John Fischer, Vice President Paul Zellar, Treasurer John Sundstrom, Co-Secretaries Phyllis and Roger Simmons. As of this date no volunteers have accepted the duties of Activities Director. The room was strangely silent when this office came up. A motion was made to accept this slate of officers by acclamation by Mark Stern and seconded by Roger Simmons. All in the room made noises of acclamation.

(No dissent was observed. )

The Christmas party will be in the Spring Lake Library on December 21st, at 6:00pm. A larger than normal attendance is expected to vie for the door prizes. The dinner will be potluck with ham and coffee being furnished. Bring your own table service.

Field Day results were announced. NOARC achieved 179th place out of 338. 88 entries were from Michigan.

Don Smith asked for help with the Rainy Day Cafe and the event they are having for the Spring Lake Food Pantry and LOVE Inc. on Saturday November 21st, between 4 and 7 pm. Rainy Day Cafe is located at 121 N. Beechtree St. Grand Haven MI. The idea is to bring in non perishable goods in return for free soup at the restaurant. Volunteers are welcome.

The highlight of the evening was the second presentation by Paul Zellar on "Basic Electricity". Paul came back, armed with manuals that he authored. The manuals were distributed to the club. Members followed along in the books as Paul reviewed his last lecture and continued with explanations involving reciprocals and Kirchhoff's Laws.

The announcement over the library public address system ended the meeting. The female voice in the ceiling stated that: " The library will close in fifteen minutes". At eight thirty pm the library closed and we departed the premises.

Respectfully submitted: Phyllis and Roger Simmons

## The Classified Section )

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**Codes : Time of day 400; DTMF Test 325; signal report 750**

**Club Net is every Tuesday night at 8PM. Net Controllers please note your assignment found on the calendar and be sure to get a substitute if you cannot take the net. Club Web Site <http://www.gsl.net/noarc/>. Site has information on Te Ne KE, club events and net schedules. All licensed amateurs are eligible for membership in the North Ottawa Amateur Radio Club. Board meeting held 1 hour before meeting at meeting site. Annual dues are payable in December . 2010 Dues are \$ 25.00 individual and \$ 35.00 family or \$70 for 3 years. Please send dues to NOARC Box 976, Grand Haven, MI 49417. Please keep the club Treasurer (sundstrj@gvsu.edu) informed as to your CURRENT e-mail address if you get the newsletter electronically or US mail address if receive it postal.**

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