



# Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance

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The Jan 13th 2010 meeting was called to order at 730 PM

The secretary read the minutes of the previous month's meeting. Motion to approve - Dan N8NIJ  
seconded by Wayne, K8WMD

Treasurer's report: Previous balance was \$1554.47, 43.00 received from 50/50, \$169.64 paid to Bill, N8VWI for supplies, balance now is \$1432.83, motion to approve by Wayne, 2nd by K8OOK

Trustee's Report: Richard, K8JX, renewed repeater coordination

#### Committee Reports:

Great Lakes Award: awards were sent to DK6AP & N8COJ, the first awards since June 10, 2009.

Larry requested that Richard change the website to show, "no Euro's, only US Dollars". Larry said that

the new method of shipping is saving money

Special Events: no report

Newsletter: The new newsletter is out, waiting for printed copies for those with no computer.

Webmaster: no report

Bereavement: Larry Waholski, N8AFC is a silent key

2 meter net: Could use more net control stations, 2 or 3 are doing all the work

Fund raising: Burger night will be at the 5th ST Hall on March 5, from 530PM - 730 or 8 PM.

For \$5.00, we will serve a burger, condiments at buyers choosing, coffee or lemonade, chips,

cole slaw and one cookie. Cheese and/or bacon will be investigated as possible option.

Workers should show up about 330PM. Members will bake deserts to offer for sale.

Field Day: no report

Membership: no report

#### OLD BUSINESS:

A vote was taken for the Ham of the Year. Bill N8VWI received 10 votes, Lee W8ZP received 4 votes.



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No votes for the other nominees.

MARA after XMAS party will be at 530PM on Feb 13th at Braunn's on 28th St SE near I-96. Please RSVP

Wayne or Marian at 957-4641 or by e-mail. We would like to see about 20 people to justify the continued use of this restaurant. We will have a White Elephant exchange, bring your wrapped junk to dump on someone else.

There was a discussion about T&W and what we could do for them. I was decided that Dave would get a plaque for his office and Robbie would get a \$30 gift certificate to a restaurant. Motion to approve by Dan, N8NIJ, seconded by Marian and John NF8P. Passed

## NEW BUSINESS:

There was much discussion about the repeater and cans. Repeater is shaky but working OK. It was agreed that we would tackle one problem at a time. Wayne will call Gale, N8GS to find out what price Gale might sell his cans for.

A new controller with DVR is about \$475.

The Breakfast Nook is closing after Jan 16th. Members will try various restuarants and make suggestions at the February meeting as which restuarant would work for the Club's Saturday AM Breakfast.

Mike, K8OOK mentioned that the club's 2 meter station is available to lend to deserving local ham. Hopefully one that would be interested in joining MARA.

Larry, KC8KCR mention that someone from WOOD-TV called asking if any of our member were involved in emergency traffic for the earthquake in Haiti. Nobody knew of anyone.

Motion made by Dan, N8NIJ to adjourn, seconded by John, passed, meeting ended at 830 PM.

Submitted by Mike K8OOK Secretary