



# PARC NEWS

*Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska*



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## PARC Meeting

**Thursday,  
January, 28th**

Supper 6 pm  
Meeting 7 pm

Hero's/  
Gambino's  
1900 E. Military,

## Problems With CQ

Dave T. reports that CQ is still having a problem with their mail issues.

On Tuesday, January 19, he received an email from them saying the issue is at the printers and he could view the issue online.

Not good.

## Sweeney Suffers Broken Hip/Leg

Jim Sweeney, KBØDYY, slipped, fell and broke his hip/leg while responding to a Cedar Bluffs aid call in December .

He was at Lakeside Hospital in Omaha and is now recovering at home in Cedar Bluffs. We send our "Get Well Quickly" wishes to you, Jim.

## Amateur Of The Year 2015 Is Wes Chrisman



Dave T., WØNRW presents Wes KDØPGV with the Amateur of the Year Plaque

## Christmas Party Is A Hit

Linda Kirchmann and Jane Mehaffey gave us a great Christmas Party in December at "The Office" in Hooper, NE.

The meal was fantastic again. And the ladies had a number of games for us which made us all think a little harder. We had a great time as always and I think we had about 28 people. The highlight being the presentation of the Amateur of the Year plaque to Wes Chrisman.

### **Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Minutes for November 19, 2015**

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for November 2015 was called to order at 7 PM by President Dan Steinhoff, W7UP. 19 people were present. Everyone introduced themselves.

#### **MINUTES and TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The October minutes and November Treasurer's Report were approved as printed in the November *PARC News*.

**MOTION to Pay Bills:** No bills.

**HOSPITALITY:** Sharon Martens, KBØTVB reported that a card and \$25 memorial were sent to Lyman Nelson, WBØIEN, following the death of his wife and PARC member, Judy Nelson, WBØILK.

**EDUCATION:** No report.

**FIELD DAY:** June 25-26, 2016. Steve Benke, KFØMS will take care of the facilities and Wes Chrisman, KDØPGV will also help.

**FLEA MARKET:** July 9, 2016. No report.

**PICNIC:** Sunday, September 25, 2016. No report.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** Saturday, December 12, 2015 at the Office Bar & Grill in Hooper from 5:30 PM to 9 PM. Linda Kirchmann, WØZIP passed around a sign-up sheet.

**NET Manager:** Mel Cunningham, KØVLA passed around sign-up sheets for Net Control duties and thanked everybody. Additional Net Control Operators are always welcome.

**ARES:** Dave Theophilus, WØNRW reported on SKYWARN Recognition Day scheduled for December 4-5.

**PUBLICITY:** WØNRW had nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** It was agreed to continue to meet at Gambino's/Hero's in 2016. It was also agreed to continue to give out \$10 Gambino's gift cards for the Drawings in 2016. WØNRW and KBØTVB will make the respective arrangements. **DRAWING:** The winner of the \$10 Gambino's Gift Card was Sharon Martens, KBØTVB.

**Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM.

**PROGRAM:** Dan Steinhoff, W7UP presented information on the Yaesu FT1D HT and scanners, and how they are programmed. Jarad Chrisman, KDØEFC gave an update on the repeaters that he owns. The 443.275 repeater will probably be located at the Cedar Bluffs Fire Station.

**REOPENING and ADJOURNMENT:** Following the program, KBØTVB asked that the meeting be reopened, which was done. She moved that \$100 be donated to KDØEFC to help support the repeaters. The motion was seconded by KFØMS. The motion was passed. The reopened meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dave Theophilus, WØNRW

## **2016 PARC Calendar**

In 2016, the Pioneer Amateur Radio Club (PARC) will continue to meet at Gambino's/Hero's on the 4th Thursday of the month.

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club, 6 p.m. supper, 7 p.m. meeting, Gambino's/Hero Deli, 1900 E. Military Ave., Fremont, NE

The Dates Are:

January 28	February 25
March 24	April 28
May 26	June 23
July 28	August 25

September—No Meeting—Picnic Sept. 25  
October 27

November 17—1 week early due to Thanksgiving  
December—No Meeting—Christmas Party TBD

The PARC website is at: [www.k0jfn.com](http://www.k0jfn.com)

*Dave Theophilus, WØNRW  
PARC Secretary/Publicity*

# First Annual Greater Midwest Radio Show In Hastings

Please mark your calendars early, and plan on joining us for what will become the largest antique radio/vintage electronics/amateur radio show in the Midwest.

The First Annual Greater Midwest Radio Show will be held in Hastings Nebraska on June 18th, 2016.

We are inviting all ham clubs, antique radio clubs, and hobby electronics groups in the Midwest to participate in this big event. Promote your club. Sell and Trade some gear. If your club plans to send a representative or two, let us know early, so we can list your organization on our website as a contributing club.

Please do forward this to any organization or club that may be interested.

The public is welcome, and invited!

Bring your great-grandfather's old farm radio up from the basement, and we'll tell you what it is worth.

Bring in your old tube-type radio or audio gear. Bring old telephone and telegraph equipment.

Don't know what it is, but it has a microphone and wires? Bring it in!

Do you have an old "space Age" radio from the 50's or 60's? Bring it in.

Do you have iron rust? Or GOLD DUST? Expert appraisers available all day.

Ready to sell? Cash buyers on hand ALL DAY.

Shortwave Radio Demonstrations.  
Antique Radio Listening area, with special broadcasts from local AM transmitter.  
Ham Radio "Hamfest" and Swap Meet. Approved and Sanctioned by the ARRL.



FCC Authorized testing on site—Get your Ham Radio license. See ARRL.org for study guides and information.

Radio Fox Hunt. Grab your portable scanner, and help us look all over town for the hidden transmitter.

For more information, see our website at <http://gretermidwestradio.org/>

*Barton A. Jones  
Chief Engineer  
KFKX Radio  
Hastings College*

## Roxanne Made It To Germany

We are slowly getting settled here. I'm applying for a German call sign while waiting for my household goods to arrive and I'll let you know when I'm back on the air.

We are renting a house in a little town called Oberstufenbach. It's very pretty here, but we are near the bottom of a valley. I'm not expecting a lot of propagation, but I'll see what I can do once I unpack my radio.

For now, I'm just trying to get caught up on laundry!!

73 & 88  
Roxanne DL/AA7RX

### Treasurer's Report January, 2016

Savings.....	\$130.68
Checking.....	1,552.54
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$1,693.22</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	
.....	None
<b>EXPENSES:</b>	
Repeater Fund.....	\$ 100.00
Ham of the Year.....	\$ 21.50
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 121.50</b>



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President—Dan Steinhoff, W7UP  
V. President—Wes Chrisman, KDØPGV  
Secretary—Dave Theophilus, WØNRW  
Treasurer—Sharon Martens, KBØTVB

Board of Directors:

Bob Kirchmann WØICE  
Frank Veverka, KØAJA  
Jim Sweeney KBØDYY  
And 2 Officers

Committee Chairs:

Hospitality: Sharon Martens  
Field Day: Steve Benke  
Wes Chrisman  
Flea Market: Rich Mehaffey  
Picnic: Dave Theophilus &  
Sharon Martens  
Christmas Party: Linda Kirchmann  
& Jane Mehaffey  
Publicity: Dave Theophilus  
Education: Jane Mehaffey  
Net Manager: Mel Cunningham  
ARES: Dave Theophilus

**MEMBERSHIP DUES:**

Yearly PARC Dues are \$10 for the first member of a family and \$3 each additional member if paid between Jan. 1 and March 1.

Dues are prorated at \$1 per month after March 1st for new members. Previous year member's dues remain \$10 whenever they are paid.

Life membership is \$200.

**SEND TO:**

Sharon Martens,  
KBØTVB  
2316 E. First St  
Fremont, NE 68025

## Silent Keys **Jim Hitz, KCØDVG, Chuck Morris, KØRBH, Darrell McGhghy,**

Jim Hitz KCØDVG passed away on January 11, 2016. Jim had recently suffered a number of strokes and was in hospice when he passed. Jim was only 54.

Jim is survived by his wife Pam NOPJB and their children, Nick, BJ, Justin and Ashley along with their spouses and grandchildren.

Jim was active as a firefighter/EMT with Weston Fire and Rescue. He also was in law enforcement and served a short stint in the Army.

Jim enjoyed Amateur Radio immensely and was very active with storm spotting as well as working the State Fair. Jim helped several of his fellow firefighters in getting their Amateur tickets. He will be greatly missed.

Rest in peace.

*Jim and Chuck are past PARC members.—Editor*

Charles "Chuck" Morris, age 55, of Hooper died Thursday, January 14, 2016 at Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha.

Charles was born September 10, 1960 in Lincoln, Nebraska to Richard and Joyce (Glaser) Morris. He moved to Hooper with his family during his early childhood.

He had worked as a carpenter in the Hooper/Scribner/Fremont area, working at one time for Gene Scholl Construction. He was a Ham radio operator.

He is survived by his brothers, Roy and wife Quynh Morris of California, and Paul and wife Nancy Morris of Yuma, AZ and sister-in-law-law Sue Morris of Hooper. He was preceded by his parents and brother, Jerald and two infant siblings.

No public services were held.

Darrell McGhghy, NØDOP, passed away Saturday, January 23, 2016. Darrell lost his battle with cancer that he was dealing with since 2012.

Darrell was a career Nebraska State Trooper and was assigned to the Executive Protection Detail for most of his career.

He served Governors Exon, Thone, Keery, Orr, Nelson and Johanns. Darrell retired from the State Patrol in 1999.

There will be a Celebration of Life at a later time

Rest in peace.

