

M2M News Beacon

Member to Member News Beacon



Prez's Preface

"Remember to be gentle with yourself and others. We are all children of chance and none can say why some fields will blossom while others lay brown beneath the August sun."

- Kent Nerburn, American Writer

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Summer Greetings,
I hope you have been enjoying the beautiful weather – about the only thing this summer has going for it.

Both the MCCC and the Senior Center are still closed to outsiders, so Club in-person meetings are still cancelled. We will continue on with our on-air meetings at 7:30pm on 147.030 MHz, the second Monday of the month.

We did hold a drive-up Fox Hunt in the city of Medina on July 26.

Only two Club members participated, and both found the fox in about an hour. The winner was Baji K8IIT and the runner-up was Dave KE8APO. Baji will be hiding the fox for the next hunt.

All of the equipment donated by Dave NK0K, and listed for sale in the last newsletter was sold, increasing the Club's bank account by \$430.00. But wait, there's more! Check out page 7 for sale items donated by the widow of SK Gerry Tirsch N8GDT.

I signed into the Zoom meeting touted by DX Engineering as their first "Virtual Hamfest and DX Academy" on July 25th. It was an all-day affair, and by 11:30pm they had 1269 participants.

* The technical sessions were interesting, although one descended into a moderator gab fest!

* The DXE Product Discussions were a bit disappointing since various products were hawked, but no sales discounts were offered.

* Two \$1,000.00 DXE gift certificates were raffled off to attendees, but no swag was offered of any kind.

* Perhaps I was expecting something more exciting, innovative, or fun from DXE which reflects on me, not DXE.

Go outside and enjoy weather that you do not have to shovel, shiver, or slide on.

Stay Safe and Be Nice,
73, Jane K8JGR

Membership Dues

For those of you who submitted MCARC dues for 2020, thank you. However, some members have let their dues lapse, but are calling themselves "members" during our on-air meetings.

Please go to our website www.W8EOC.org to print out a membership form and send it in to our Treasurer, Gail KD8GGM, to reinstate your membership or to join our Club.

For 2020, fees are: \$15.00 Licensed Member, \$ 7.50 Non-voting Member, \$22.50 Family (One licensed voting member; spouse; and children under the age of 18.)

New members pay one-half the regular fee after July 1, 2020.

MCARC July 13 On-Air General Meeting Minutes

The July 13, 2020 Member Meeting was held on-air because of Corona Virus restrictions.

The net opened at 7:30pm with check-ins logging onto the 147.030MHz repeater. The net was controlled by Toby WT8O. The following paid members (and *guests*) were present (X - not) for the network meeting:

Toby WT8O - NCO	Ed K8NVR	Diane KD8SSX	<i>Chuck K8CVM</i>
Bob K8MD - X	Ray K2RWO	Baji K8IIT	<i>John KE8LVC</i>
Kim KE8LUY - X	Julio KE8JIE		<i>Fred N8AHS</i>
Jane K8JGR	Doug KD8SST		<i>Jody KE8GKO</i>
Dave KE8APO	Steve KE8BJD	<i>Frank KN4AW</i>	<i>John K8JEK</i>
Gordon AI8Y	Brad KE8EFQ	<i>Larry NB8Z</i>	<i>Jason N8JPD</i>

NCO, Toby, asked net participants for their first go-around comments.

Toby then transferred control over to Jane K8JGR to conduct the regular monthly meeting...

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary's Report – Motion to accept the Secretary's Minutes of the June 8, 2020 on-air meeting as published in the July Newsletter: Motion: Doug KD8SST, 2nd Baji K8IIT. Members voted approval.

Treasurer's Report – Prepared by Treasurer, Gail KD8GGM, read by Diane KD8SSX. Members voted to approve as read.

President's Report:

- Patches are still available at \$5.00 each. Our Club name is official with the ARRL as The Medina Amateur Radio Club/M2M Group. Our web site and Facebook sites are active.
- NK0K donated equipment ---all sold for \$430.00.
- DX Engineering is holding a virtual hamfest July 25th. All who wish to participate must register at the DX Engineering Web Site.
- The August 10th Member Meeting will be held on-air.
- Club election Nomination Forms will be distributed. Please fill out and return to Diane KD8SSX or Jane K8JGR
- Fox Hunt will be held July 29 at 6:30pm. Info will be e-mailed and is on website and Facebook.

Field Day Report:

Ed K8NVR advised FD participants to fill out the necessary report forms and get them back to the ARRL. Motion to adjourn made by Doug K8SST and 2nd by Baji K8IIT.

Jane K8JGR transferred control back to NCO, Toby WT8O, who continued the net with a second round of comments, before returning the repeater back to normal operations.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Ray Orobona K2RWO

SK “Les” Lesnick W8BID

Nick "Les" Lesnick W8BID suffered a stroke last week and passed away July 23rd in a rehab center. Les was a long-time member of M2M and always donated money at the Field Day sites. His daughter is Tammy Lesnick K8KGB.

73 Les,

James Bodnar W8UQZ

Les was one of the nicest guys you could ever meet. I had several conversations with him over the past twenty years, mainly about club history. I always called him our club historian since he had so many stories going back to 1952 when he was first licensed. He attended most meetings in the good weather months but spent winters in Arizona. He often checked into our Monday Night Nets, and you would always recognize his deep booming voice. At Field Day, he would often bring some old photos along with a cash donation for our club. He was a class guy and the club will miss him.
73, Ed K8NVR

Les came often to Saturday morning breakfasts with a smile and his daughter, Tamara. He shared history about the club, suggested promoting the club on Brunswick BAT community television, talked about his barbershop quartet days, and honored me with a pin depicting a 5-cent "Amateur Radio" postage stamp, which I proudly wear. He was a true gentleman, kind, unassuming, and possessed a "golden voice" – he represented the best of Amateur Radio. I miss him.
Jane K8JGR

I only knew Les and his daughter for about 4-5 years, but he was a warm and kindhearted gentleman.

Dave Oravec N8JNX

A life well lived, 1000s of lives touched, Rest in peace W8BiD.

A great 73 to you,

Baji Panchumarti K8IIT

Thanks Nick from a grateful Nation for your service.

Jody Fedor KE8GKO



I was Very Proud to have known Les and such a Decent and Kind man he was - He told me once at an old timers lunch that he was afraid that people found him Boring - I told him Les that is SO Untrue - In order for us to move forward we must know where we have been - he smiled and said "Damn you're Good" - All of the Lives that Les touched are Far Better off knowing him - It's rare to find a person of such high caliber - I will always remember Les with Great fondness.
John AC8AT

From Cleveland.com - Mallchok Funeral Home:

Nicholas J. Lesnick, age 98, of Brunswick, OH and Tucson, AZ, passed away on July 23, 2020. A World War II Veteran, Pacific campaign. Preceded in death by his dear wife Olga, of 69 years, parents Julian and Anna, sisters, Anna, Olga, Mary Ann and brother, Andrew. Survived by his daughter Tamara, and his brother John (Judy) and nieces and nephews in Pennsylvania, Florida, and California. He was employed as an Army Civilian Supervisory Quality Assurance Specialist. As a member to Holy Trinity Orthodox Christian Parish, Parma, he not only organized and directed the acapella choir, but also accepted the duties of public relations, establishing a library, and served as council member. For fifty years Nick was a member of the Military Auxiliary Radio system providing training and emergency communications while assigned FCC callsign W8BID. Singing baritone in the Tucson Sunshine Chorus and various quartets (Barbershop Harmony Society) brought him great enjoyment, as well as being a docent at Tohono Chul Park, (a desert preservation area in Tucson). He also volunteered as a station engineer at Sun Sounds Radio through KUAT-FM broadcasting to Arizona blind and disabled residents. Nicholas, who used the nickname "Les" in his volunteer efforts, enjoyed Arizona with his family for over 45 winters; the Southwest atmosphere, its natural beauty and the many opportunities to associate with the famous Sons of the Pioneers, the longtime country singing group. During his retirement years he traveled to Europe, China, Egypt, and Mexico.

MCARC 2021 Officer & Trustee Nomination Form

Person Being Nominated	Self?	Yes	No
Name		Call Sign	
Address			
Email		Phone	
Position (circle one): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President (one year term) • Vice President (one year term) • Secretary (one year term) • Treasurer (one year term) • Trustee (two year term) 		Nominee is a paid-up member of M2M for one full year prior to November 2020: Yes No Nominee attended at least 6 meetings since November 2019? Yes No Nominee holds a valid amateur radio license: Yes No Nominee is over the age of 18: Yes No Nominee is a convicted felon: Yes No	
Please list nominee's qualifications and any other information you would like to be presented to the membership to use in considering your nomination (Use back of form if necessary):			
Person submitting Form (If not nominating self):			
Name		Call Sign	
Address			
Email		Phone	
Nominee Permission Granted?		Yes	No
SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE:			
Date:			
Note: your address, phone number and email will NOT be published in the M2M News Beacon newsletter Form must be submitted to Diane KD8SSX or another Officer by September 15th			

August 10, 2020 On-Air General Meeting

The Medina County Amateur Radio Club will *not* be holding *in-person* meetings until the threat of Coronavirus is under control.

However, Monday August 10, the Club will hold the *August meeting during a special 2-meter net* at 7:30 pm. See page 6 for frequency and tone.

MCARC (M2M) Calendar

August 3	7:30pm	Monday Night 2M Net
August 10	7:30pm	MCARC On-Air General Meeting
Aug 17	7:30pm	Monday Night 2M Net
Aug 24	7:30pm	Monday Night 2M Net
August 31	7:30pm	Monday Night 2M Net

August ARRL Contests

- 1-2** 222 MHz and Up Distance Contest
- 15-16** 10 GHz & Up – Round 1
- 16** Rookie Roundup – RTTY

Hamatuer Antix



July Ohio ARRL Hamfest

08/01/2020 - CANCELED -
2020 Columbus, Ohio Hamfest
Location: Grove City, OH
Sponsor: Voice of Aladdin/ Audio Unit of Aladdin Shrine
Website: <http://columbushamfest.com>

08/15/2020 - CANCELED -
Clinton County Ohio ARA Hamfest
Location: Wilmington, OH
Sponsor: Clinton County ARA
Website: <http://ccara.net>

08/29/2020 - CANCELED -
Milford Hamfest
Location: Owensville, OH
Sponsor: Milford Amateur Radio Club
Website: <http://www.w8mrc.com>

Thomas Alva Edison – 1093 Patents

1847: Born in Milan, Ohio on February 11th.

1859: As a youth, Thomas works as a newsboy and candy butcher on the trains of the Grand Trunk Railroad. He set up his very own chemistry lab on board the train.

1863: Works as an operator in telegraph offices in various Midwest cities and conducts experiments with telegraph apparatus.

1867: Throughout the Civil War, Thomas worked as a wire operator. He became familiar with the telegraph instruments and started experimenting with them.

1868: After beginning work with Western Union, Thomas invents an automatic vote recorder. He files his very first patent for this invention.

1869: Devotes himself full time to inventing and to pursuing various telegraph enterprises.

1870: Edison moves to New Jersey and uses all of his money and time to work on new inventions. He invents several stock market machines during this time.

1871: Edison's mother, Nancy, dies in Port Huron. Edison later marries one of his employees, Mary Stilwell. They were married on Christmas Day.

1872: Edison begins intensive work on duplex telegraphy.

1874: Edison discovers electromotograph principle. Invents a new telegraph system, called the quadruplex telegraph for Western Union that could send four telegraphs at once.

1875: Edison calls his new invention the electric pen. It was an early form of a copy machine.

1877: Edison invents the phonograph, which played music. He later improved the phonograph, and made it cheap enough for the general public to afford. Later in the year, he invents the carbon transmitter, which was used in the telephone and helped it work much better. The carbon discovery helped pave the way for Edison's most well-known inventions.

1878: Gains international renown for inventing the phonograph. The Edison Electric Company is incorporated.

1879: Using the power of carbon, Edison invented a lamp that lit without the use of oil and fire.

1880: Edison opens up an industrial park to figure out how to spread electricity to the public.

1881: Moves his business operations to 65 5th Avenue in New York City, where he daily advises the managers of the various Edison light companies.

1883: Electricity goes public. Edison forms the Thomas A. Edison Construction Department and spends the next year promoting and building central stations in the United States. Starts assisting cities to install electricity for the people.

1884: Is elected the Vice President of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, an organization of which he is a founding member. His wife, Mary Stilwell Edison dies later that year.

1886: Marries Mina Miller in Akron, Ohio. Begins experiments on an improved phonograph.

1887: Purchases 14 acres of land in West Orange, New Jersey, near his home in Llewellyn Park; plans to construct a new laboratory.

1888: Organizes the Edison Phonograph Works and begins construction of a factory in West Orange. Small-scale production of phonographs begin in the Fall.

1889: The Edison General Electric Company is organized. Organizes the Edison Manufacturing Company to manufacture and market the Edison-Lalande battery.

1890: The Automatic Phonograph Exhibition Company is organized to market the coin-in-the-slot phonograph.

1892: Edison merges his electric company with the Thomson-Houston Company to form General Electric.

1893: Completes construction of the Black Maria motion picture studio, which becomes fully operational in May.

1896: Organizes the National Phonograph Company. Experiments with x-rays and sends a completed x-ray fluoroscope to Columbia University physicist Michael Pupin. Later in the year, Edison's father, Samuel, dies in Norwalk, Ohio. Edison attends the funeral.

1899: Designs a long rotary kiln for making cement. Organizes the Edison Portland Cement Company. Begins experimental work on storage batteries.

1900: Edison begins working on a way to store energy for use when electricity wasn't available. He eventually breaks through and comes up with an effective battery.

1901: Receives threatening letter demanding \$25,000 in gold or his kids will be kidnapped. Hires top detectives who spoil the plot. Organizes the Edison Storage Battery Company.

1923: Attempts to find alternative sources of rubber

1931: Edison passes away on October 18 and the country dimmed their lights to honor him on the day of his funeral.

Throughout his life, he worked towards inventions that would change the world forever.

Virtual Flea Market for Members

Gerry Tirch, N8GDT, a longtime member of the Club became a silent key about 2 years ago. His wife has moved and some of his radio related things are still available. These items are located at Fred's, K8FH in Columbia Station. Contact Fred at k8fh@windstream.net for availability. All proceeds will go to the club. Checks should be made out to The M2M Group, or The Medina Two Meter Group and sent to our treasurer, Gail Helwig(KD8GGM at 12891 East River Road, Columbia Station, Ohio 44028. (East River Road is Rt. 252)

* MFJ 434B Voice Keyer MSRP \$239 \$50.00 * MFJ 1702C 2 position coax switch MSRP \$49 \$15.00 * MFJ Keyer fits with Bencher iambic paddle, both items as a unit Keyer MSRP \$139 Bencher MRSP \$170 total \$309 \$100.00 * MFJ 1124 40A DC power distribution box, with 4 power poles and two dual binding posts MSRP \$65 never used \$25.00 * Daiwa CN465M cross needle 140-450 MHz swr/wattmeter 15W and 75W full scale – nice little VHF/UHF wattmeter \$20.00 * Rig Runner DC power distribution box 4005 five outlet one input- all power poles MSRP \$74 \$20.00 * Radio Shack 10 Amp 13.8 volt DC power supply – Transformer supply (not switching) Looks fine \$15.00 * Astron SL11A 13.8 volt DC power supply Astron 11 amps intermittent, 7 amps continuous power supply MSRP over \$100 \$25.00 * B&K 1823 Frequency counter --- 8 digit good to 175 MHz \$20.00 *

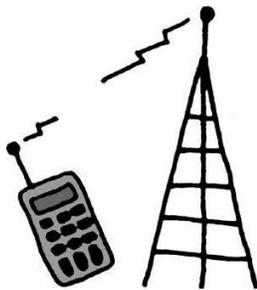
Schumacher 410 Watt inverter – 12 VDC in (up to 50 amps) and 120 vac 60 cycle out as well as 2 amps at 5 volts DC to a USB connector for charging items MSRP \$50.00 hardly used and has original box \$20.00 * 3 element M squared six meter beam (like new) MSRP \$233.00 \$50.00 * Two 10 foot sections of small aluminum tower (universal tower) one top and one normal straight section – like new, never used 11" center to center on the legs. MSRP over \$150 each \$75.00 * Icom PS125 DC power supply with plug for radio -- 25 amp switching supply 13.8 volts MSRP \$299 \$60.00 looks good * Kenwood AT230 160-10 meter manual antenna tuner – 20 w and 200 w full scale – nice tuner, used prices all over \$150 to \$600 Looks nice – this is a neat little antenna tuner \$50.00 * Weller soldering gun in case 100-140 watt --- \$10.00 *

Weller solder station WES51, + two others for parts --- \$15.00 * 300 Watt dry dummy load with fan – good all the way to 2 GHz – a commercial load you can trust --- This is no MFJ! --- \$25.00 * Hy Gain Ham 4 rotor and control box --- \$50.00 * Two other Ham 4/tailtwister control boxes --- \$20 each * Dry dummy load wattmeter – 50-600 MHz 120 watt full scale --- Military ME82 U Nice old military load – of course can be used below 50 MHz, just wattmeter will not read right. \$20.00 * Dentron Super Tuner antenna tuner --- there are three --- 160-10 with taped coil switch and two variable capacitors – has a 1KW balun built in for open wire matching --- need some cleaning outside, but good tuners - The balun is worth the price. \$25.00 each * Bird 43 Wattmeter serial 46112 Used Birds are always over \$100 \$50.00 * Bird 43 Wattmeter #2 serial 93325 \$50.00 * Bird 25 E slug 25 Watt 400-1000 MHz \$20.00 * Bird 500 E slug 500 Watt 400-1000 MHz \$20.00 * Bird 5 E slug 5 Watt 400-1000 MHz \$20.00 * Bird 500 C slug 500 Watt 100-250 MHz \$20.00 *

Other things that you can pick through, if you come to pick up an item -- FREE

MCARC (M2M) Repeaters

Remember to check in to the 2-Meter Net 147.030 on non-meeting, Monday evenings at 7:30pm.



Call	Location	Function	Repeater Input	Repeater Directories		Band
				Repeater Output	CTCSS (PL)	
W8EOC	Medina (Main Site)	Repeater TX & RX	147.630	147.030	141.3	2 Meter
W8EOC	Brunswick (North)	Receive only	147.630	From Main Site	131.8	2 Meter
W8EOC	Lafayette (South)	Receive only	147.630	From Main Site	88.5	2 Meter
W8HN	Medina	Digital C4FM TX & RX Repeater	147.885	147.285	(0)	2 Meter
		Analog TX & RX Repeater	147.885	147.285	(110.9)	2 Meter
W8UQZ	Medina	Repeater TX & RX	223.260	224.860	-	1.25 Meter

MCARC (M2M) Monday Night 2-Meter Net Control

03-Aug-2020	K8IIT	10-Aug-2020	Meeting
17-Aug-2020	KE8APO	24-Aug-2020	K2KSU
31-Aug-2020		07-Sep-2020	

ARRL Membership

Please consider paying your dues for ARRL membership through our club Treasurer, Gail KD8GGM. **M2M will retain \$15.00 for each NEW membership and \$2.00 for each renewal.**

Yearly dues are \$49.00 for regular membership, \$25.00 for youth under age 21 being oldest Ham in household, and \$10.00 for Additional Ham member in family. All but Additional Ham memberships will receive the monthly QST magazine. Dues can be paid by cash, **personal check made out to "Medina Two Meter Group"** or credit card.

A copy of the ARRL Membership Application/Renewal form can be obtained from Gail Helwig KD8GGM, Treasurer, M2M Group, 12891 East River Road, Columbia Station, Ohio 44028.

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See us at:

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About Our Organization...

The Medina County Amateur Radio Club (M2M) is a nonprofit, ARRL Special Service registered, amateur radio organization based in Medina County, dedicated to communication, public service, education and fellowship.

Many of our members also are involved with Skywarn, ARES/MECARS, RACES, and assist with community events

such as bicycle and foot races.

We meet on the second Monday of each month at either the Medina County Senior Center (Sr) or the Medina County Career (JVS) Center. See Website or page three for more information.



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