

# PARC NEWS

*Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska*

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## PARC Meeting

**Thursday,  
Oct. 27th**

Supper 6 pm  
Meeting 7 pm

**Hero's/  
Gambino's**

1900 E. Military,  
Fremont, NE

## October Is Election Month

That's right! Unlike the National Election, **PARC elects their officers, chair people and directors and nominates an "Amateur of the Year"** in October, mainly to insure time to get a plaque made before presentation at the Christmas Party.

So, come prepared to nominate, participate and serve in a capacity for the 2017 season of our PARC organization. We have a great group of people and I think we do a great job of putting on all of our activities.

Your present officers, chair people and directors are listed on the back page of this newsletter. The top name of the directors drops off and a new one is replaced at the bottom. Each serves 3 years. We haven't had any major issues that needed to be solved by the directors and officers in the past few years. We worked really well together on coordinating the sale of KF0MS's equipment at the meeting and the day of the sale.

## Happy Thanksgiving

Our November Meeting will be the

3rd Thursday, November 17th,

because of Thanksgiving !



## Check It Out

Here is something different an Oregon Amateur Radio Club is doing.

<http://www.kqrz.org/>  
Joe N0XAT

## Mini Program

Although we will not have a program, I will have a Bird 43 watt-meter and dummy load available at the PARC meeting for VHF/UHF testing. Dan W7UP

## **PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MINUTES FOR August 25, 2016**

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for August 25, 2016 was called to order at 7 PM by President Dan Steinhoff, W7UP. 23 people were present. Everybody introduced themselves.

**MINUTES and TREASURER'S REPORT:** The July minutes and August Treasurer's Report were approved as printed in the August *PARC News*.

**MOTION to PAY BILLS:** No bills.

**HOSPITALITY:** Sharon Martens, KB0TVB had sent a \$25 memorial to the Benke family in honor of Steve Benke, KF0MS(SK). She had also received a \$20 memorial from one of Steve's co-workers at Valmont.

**EDUCATION:** Nothing to report.

**FIELD DAY:** Larry Martens, K0SW reserved the Izaak Walton building for June 24-25, 2017.

**FLEA MARKET:** St. Charles Parish in North Bend on July 8, 2017.

**PICNIC:** 530 PM Sunday, September 25, 2016 at the Theophilus home. Details are in the August *PARC News*.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY:** 530 PM Saturday, December 10, 2016 at the Office Bar & Grill in Hooper. Linda Kirchmann, W0ZIP confirmed the date and time.

**NET MANAGER:** Mel Cunningham, K0VLA thanked everybody. He has Net Controls lined up into October.

**ARES:** Dave Theophilus, W0NRW again pointed out the advantages of entering rainfall data into the CoCoRaHS system.

**PUBLICITY:** Nothing to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Final Call for KF0MS (SK) on the Wednesday ARES Net that was conducted by Jarad Chrisman, KD0EFC was much appreciated.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was a discussion of what to do with the equipment belong to KF0MS(SK) that was left to the club. It was decided that Jarad, KD0EFC and Wes, KD0PGV Chrisman will take charge of the two repeaters and determine how they can best be used or disposed of. They will also check on the VHF/UHF equipment and see what is worth saving for later use and what should be disposed of. PARC members will meet at the home of Lance, WN0L and Darlene, N0LOP Hoffman at

9 AM on Saturday, September 24 to sort out the equipment and move it to tables for a Public Sale at 2 PM. PARC will provide a noon lunch for the workers.

It was also decided that PARC members would have first crack at buying this equipment, one hour prior to the public sale.

*(However, later thoughts found this plan full of problems, so we will do the following. If anybody has an interest in buying any of the equipment, call Lance at 402-628-2038 and make arrangements to see it or buy it prior to September 24. You buy it by making an offer we can't refuse, keeping in mind that the money goes into the PARC treasury.)*

**IMPORTANT...**At the end of the Public Sale, ALL of the equipment must be removed from the Hoffman home. We do that by each of us taking a piece of it, or more, and disposing of it. You do that by wrapping it up and giving it to your weird uncle at Christmas, dropping it into your spouse's coat pocket, leaving it on your neighbor's doorstep along with the zucchini you are trying to get rid of, or other imaginative ways. The important thing is that IT MUST ALL GO. There is a partial list of the equipment in the August issue of the *PARC News* found on the PARC website at: [www.k0jfn.com](http://www.k0jfn.com) The TS-930S will be fixed at Watertown SD. It was agreed that PARC would pay for the repair. Frank Veverka, K0AJA will take the rig to Watertown.

Wes Chrisman, KD0PGV reported that the Hams in Grand Island are looking for assistance to help at the State Fair. WN0L received an email from Adam Benke thanking the club for the Tribute to Steve in the August *PARC News*. Ray McNally, N5SEZ will be helping the Boy Scouts on September 9-11.

**DRAWING:** The winner of the \$10 Gambino's Gift Card was Frank Veverka, K0AJA.

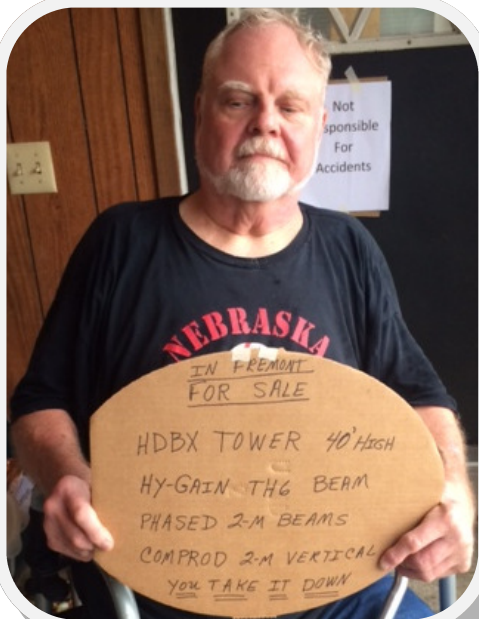
**ADJOURN:** The meeting was adjourned at 755 PM.

**PROGRAM:** Following adjournment, a program on the Ubuntu operating system was presented by Dan Steinhoff, W7UP. Additional information is available at: <http://www.ubuntu.com/>



Respectfully submitted,  
Dave Theophilus, W0NRW





## KFOMS Equipment Sale



Yes, the sale to liquidate Steve Benke's Radio Equipment was a huge success. We sold everything except a few of Steve's famous little antennas. They showed up everywhere almost as much as the gray knobs!

Early morning brought 11 PARC helpers and a few more as the day went on. It was great to have so many hands, made easy work.

A collector bought most of the older equipment.

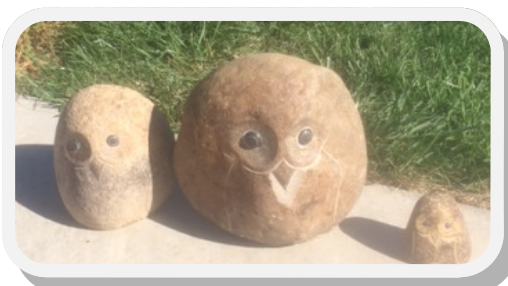
Steve would have been proud of us.







Dave says:  
"3 Wise Owls  
watched over  
the picnic!"



## PARC PICNIC 2016

### *Thanks To The Helpers*

Thanks for all your help with the Estate Sale and PARC Picnic.

At the Picnic we had 28 people in attendance. That is 10 more than last year.

I grilled 14 1/4 pounds of chicken breasts and Larry grilled about 40 hot dogs.

There were so many good side dishes that I told Frank it looked like a Methodist funeral luncheon.

And as usual, the deviled eggs at both locations were GREAT!

Thanks again, Dave T . W0NRW



# Change Is Coming

Good day to all, I wanted to give you guys a little idea of some of the things we have going on in the Nebraska Section.

I am working with my SEC to look at updating and revamping ARES in Nebraska. Without getting into too much detail as of yet, one of the major changes we will be making is a re-districting of the DEC's responsibility to match up with the way NEMA has the state divided up into 8 different regions. More to come as this comes along.

Also, we are looking for Emergency Coordinators across the state. As of now we only have 26 EC's for the 93 counties. We of course realize that some areas of the state are less ham populated, but nonetheless, we need more EC's. Be thinking about this if you are interested and e-mail your SEC Lonnie Rech at [kickcam@gmail.com](mailto:kickcam@gmail.com)

We have our states 150th anniversary coming up in March of

2017. Does your group have anything going on locally? We have plans for a special events station along with special QSL Cards and certificates. More details to come.

We also have a Solar Eclipse coming up next year as well. Any groups doing anything for this?

If you have any news worthy events, or local stories, contact our new Public Information Coordinator Jason Fink N0JOB at [jasonfink79@hotmail.com](mailto:jasonfink79@hotmail.com) Also if you need any ideas or help in contacting the local news media, he is your GO TO SOURCE.

That's a quick snapshot for now. I look forward to hearing from you soon!!

73

ARRL Nebraska Section Manager: Mr Matthew N Anderson, KA0BOJ [ka0boj@arll.org](mailto:ka0boj@arll.org)



## Sergeant Bluffs Hamfest

PARC was well represented. I missed a picture of Phil who was also there.





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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

# PARC CHRISTMAS PARTY

**Saturday, December 10th 5:30 p.m.**

**The Office Bar & Grill  
in Hooper**

**Put it on your calendar  
Menu items to come!**



## Prayers Asked for K0GND

Reynolds Davis has suffered an Aorta abdominal aneurism that ruptured on Sunday of last week. He is stable and being sedated due to incredible pain. Due to that he is on a ventilator. The drs are beginning to weane him from the vent and pain meds. Please pray for him as doctors perform their miracles. He is in Minnesota as he was visiting his daughter at the time. Send get well cards and get well QSL's to his callsign address:

DAVIS, REYNOLDS B, K0GND, 3901 S 42ND ST LINCOLN, NE 685064212

ARRL Nebraska Section Manager: Matthew N Anderson, KA0BOJ

### Treasurer's Report Oct. 2016

Savings.....\$130.68  
Checking.....2,404.91  
**TOTAL.....\$2,535.59**

**INCOME**

Dues .....\$ 20.00  
Benke Memorial .....239.00  
Benke Sale.....398.00  
K0RJE Radio Donation 50.00  
**TOTAL INCOME.....\$ 707.00**

**EXPENSES:**

Bike Repair Donation \$ 20.00  
Midwest Tech Radio ..133.13  
Picnic Expense ..... 10.00  
**TOTAL EXPENSES.\$163.13**

We are sorry to hear that Joe Means, NØXAT lost his father last month. Dave T. WØNRW

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Lance WN0L is getting better every day after suffering a stroke the end of September. He thanks everyone for the cards & well wishes.