# PARC News

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska

# **Current PARC Officers Retained For Another Year**

We voted for PARC Officers at the October Meeting and all the current officers will be retained for 2025.

President—Steve Narans, WB0VNF

Vice President-Matt Jones, AL0R

Secretary— Dave Theophilis, W0NRW

Treasurer—Sharon Martens, KB0TVB

The committee chair people and helpers remain in place also. Zach Young, KF0NQD joins Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN on Education.

Phil Bahl, KA0UNB drops off the Board of Directors and Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ, comes on board.

We also voted for Amateur of the Year. The plaque will be presented to the winner at the Christmas Party.

The November

Meeting
Is One Week Earlier
Thursday, Nov. 21st
Due to Thanksgiving

### **Net Control**

Here are the Net Control Stations for the Wednesday Night Dodge County ARES Net on 146.67 MHz at 7 PM:

Nov. 20 K0AJA—Frank Nov. 27 W0NRW—Dave

Dec. 4 K0AJA—Frank

> PARC

> Meeting

> <u>Gambinos</u>

> <u>1900 E. Military</u>

> Fremont, NE

Nov. 21, 2024 Thursday

Eat at 6 p.m. Meeting at

No Formal Program

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#### **PARC Treasurer's Report** Nov. 2024 \$ 348.78 Savings Checking 4,404.69 Petty Cash 10.00 **TOTAL** \$ 4,763.47 INCOME Dues \$10.00 TOTAL INCOME \$10.00 **EXPENSES** Drawing 10.00 Radio for EOC 397.84 Memorial K0VLA 25.00 **Trophy Case** 25.00 **TOTALEXPENSES** \$457.84

# PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MINUTES FOR October 24, 2024

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for October 24, 2024, was held at Gambino's Pizza in Fremont. The meeting was called to order at 7 PM by President Steve Narans, WB0VNF. Nineteen people were present, who introduced themselves.

**MINUTES:** August minutes approved as printed in the September *PARC News*.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Approved as printed in the October *PARC News.* 

MOTION TO PAY BILLS: None

**HOSPITALITY:** None. **EDUCATION:** Nothing.

**FIELD DAY**: Will be held on June 28-29, 2025 with Tony Renze, K0OMH as Chairman. He is still looking for a site and would welcome suggestions. Information on Winter Field Day on January 25-26, 2025 will be available at the November meeting.

**FLEA MARKET**: Will be held on July 12, 2025, in North Bend with Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ and Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN as Chairpersons. Rich said he is watching prices for possible prizes.

**PICNIC**: Will be held on September 21, 2025, at 5 PM with Sharon Martens, KB0TVB and Dave Theophilus, W0NRW as Chairpersons.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**: Will be at Farmer Brown's in Waterloo at 5 PM on Friday, December 6, 2024 with Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN and Pat Bahl as Chairpersons. Sign-up will be at November meeting.

**NET MANAGER**: Dave Theophilus, W0NRW, acting for Mel Cunningham, K0VLA, said that Mel was still in the hospital, but added that future Net Control slots were mostly filled.

**ARES**: WB0VNF reported on the table-top drill on October 5, the ARES radio that PARC paid for, and a future drill in the Spring.

**PUBLICITY**: W0NRW reported that the *Fremont Tribune* printed the meeting notice.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The current officers were retained for 2025, being President Steve Narans, WB0VNF; Vice-President Matt Jones, AL0R; Secretary Dave Theophilus, W0NRW; and Treasurer Sharon Martens, KB0TVB. Phil Bahl, KA0UNB will rotate off the Board and be replaced by Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ. Voting for Amateur of the Year was done by paper ballot and will be presented at the Christmas Party. Zach Young, N0RUS volunteered to help KB0ZUN with Education.

**DRAWING:** The winner of the \$10 was Don Renze, K0OM. The winner of the picnic hot dogs was Frank Veverka, K0AJA.

**ADJOURN:** The meeting was adjourned at 729 PM.

**NEXT MEETING:** Due to Thanksgiving, one week earlier than normal on November 21.

Respectfully submitted, Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

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# W7UP and YL Set Up FT8 At Indian Cave State Park

AJ and I went to Indian Cave State Park on Friday and I set up an FT8 PITA station on the tailgate of the F150 at the cave parking lot.

I used the KX2 at 5 and 10 watts, a SignaLink USB and a Buddipole vertical antenna and made 14 FT8 contacts. Power was supplied by a Bioenno battery, Buddipole charge controller and Bioenno 40 watt solar panels. There was a cold wind blowing down the Missouri River, so the KX2 heat sink barely got warm at 10 watts.

I purchased a set of Buddipole antennas from W0MF before he passed away, and did not realize that I had purchased three separate antenna systems. I didn't have the antenna properly configured for the 20 meter PITA activation, so need to RTFM, set up the antennas, tune the antennas and keep proper notes.

At the end of the day, both AJ and I really enjoyed the outing and the vibrant fall colors. 73, Dan



WILL
WE SEE
SANTA
AT OUR
PARTY?



Matt and I (Steve) teaching at the ARES drill on October 5 at the Dodge County Schneider building. We had 12 attendees and topics included:

- -Emergency Storm and Tornado Warnings
- -EOC Roles and Responsibilities
- -The Role of ARES
- -Terminology
- -Communication Protocols



#### PARC Officers & Chairpeople

President, Steve Narans, WBOVNF
V. President, Matt Jones, ALOR
Secretary, Dave Theophilus, WØNRW
Treasurer, Sharon Martens, KBØTVB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Phil Bahl KAOUNB Darlene Hoffman NOLOP Wes Christmas, KOOPGV & 2 Officers **Club Trustee:** Lance Hoffman, WNOL

#### **COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

Hospitality: Sharon Martens, KBØTVB
Field Day: Tony Renze, KOOMH
Flea Market: Rich Mehaffey, KBØARZ
Picnic: Dave Theophilus, WØNRW &
Sharon Martens, KBØTVB

Christmas Party: Jane Mehaffey, KBØZUN

Pat Bahl

Publicity: Dave Theophilus, WØNRW ARES: Steve Narans, WBOVNF Education: Jane Mehaffey, KBØZUN Net Manager: Mel Cunningham, KØVLA

### **Joining Our Organization**

**MEMBERSHIP DUES:** 

Yearly: \$10. per member

Family Yearly: \$10 first member,

\$3 each additional member

Paid between Jan. 1—March 1

After March 1, dues are prorated at \$1 per month for new members. Previous year member's dues remain \$10. whenever paid.

Life Membership: \$200.

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