

# PARC News

Pioneer Amateur Radio Club of Fremont, Nebraska

## ARRL Learning Center Features Two New Emergency Communication Training Courses

ARRL has released [two new courses](#) to train emergency communications (EmComm) operators for volunteering within the [Amateur Radio Emergency Service® \(ARES®\)](#). Both courses are within the ARRL Learning Center.

The Basic EmComm course is designed to get a new volunteer started. It provides basic knowledge and tools for any emergency communications volunteer and contains three modules and 11 topics, including required prerequisites. It's expected to take approximately 10 - 20 hours to complete.

The Intermediate EmComm course builds on the lessons learned in the first course and equips volunteer radio amateurs with the tools needed to thrive in the fast-paced environment of public service communications and to understand the legal rights and responsibilities of working with a served agency, as well as teach them and how ham radio fits into the broader incident command (IC) structure.



The new courses replace the previous EC-001 and EC-016 programs, however, certificates of completion earned for the previous courses are still valid. "Training is not a one-and-done thing. Throughout my firefighting and emergency management career, we were constantly taking new courses to reinforce existing knowledge and introduce new concepts," said ARRL Director of Emergency Management Josh Johnston, KE5MHV. "Engaged volunteers should want to stay up to date on advances in the science of emergency communications. I'd even encourage veteran operators to take the new courses."

> [Meeting](#)

> [Gambinos](#)

> [1900 E. Military](#)

> [Fremont, NE](#)

Aug. 22, 2024  
Thursday

Eat at 6 p.m.  
Meeting at  
At 7 p.m.

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## August PARC Program

A presentation by Fremont's Power Plant



## PIONEER AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MINUTES FOR JULY 25, 2024

The Pioneer Amateur Radio Club Meeting for July 25, 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, including new member Jim Jaksha, KF0RDV.



**MINUTES AND TREASURER'S REPORT:** Approved as printed in the July *PARC News*.

**MOTION TO PAY BILLS:** None

**HOSPITALITY:** Sharon Martens, KB0TVB sent a card to the family of Jim Sweeney, KB0DYY, who died on July 10.

**EDUCATION:** Nothing.

**FIELD DAY:** June 28-29, 2025 with Tony Renze, K0OMH as Chairman.

**FLEA MARKET:** The North Bend Flea Market was held on July 13, 2024 with Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ and Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN as Chairpersons. Ross Mehaffey, K0ARZ took care of the food. It was a success. Final figures will be in the *PARC News*. Five people tested and four were successful. WB0VNF reported that the Silent Auction brought in about \$513. A big thank-you to everybody.

**PICNIC:** Will be held on September 22, 2024, at 5 PM at W0NRW home 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 with Jane Mehaffey, KB0ZUN and Pat Bahl as Chairpersons.

**NET MANAGER:** Mel Cunningham, K0VLA, said future Net Control slots were mostly filled.

**ARES:** WB0VNF said there will likely be a tabletop drill this Fall.

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

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** WB0VNF said he may be asking PARC to furnish a 2 meter radio for the Dodge County EOC. If anybody has any agenda items, please email them to Steve prior to the meeting.

**DRAWING:** The winner of the \$10 was Rich Mehaffey, KB0ARZ.

**ADJOURN:** The meeting was adjourned at 750 PM.

**NEXT MEETING:** August 22, 2024.

Respectfully submitted, Dave Theophilus, W0NRW

### PARC Treasurer's Report

#### August. 2024

Savings	\$ 348.78
Checking	4,832.53
Petty Cash	30.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,211.31</b>
<b>INCOME</b>	
Silent Auction	\$ 976.00
Flea Market	2,262.47
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 3,238.47</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Web Page	22.99
Kolaches	40.00
Drawing	10.00
Flea Mkt Expenses	991.99
AREL Insurance	200.00
Kathryn Silent Auction	25.00
<b>TOTALEXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,289.98</b>

# PARC Picnic 2024

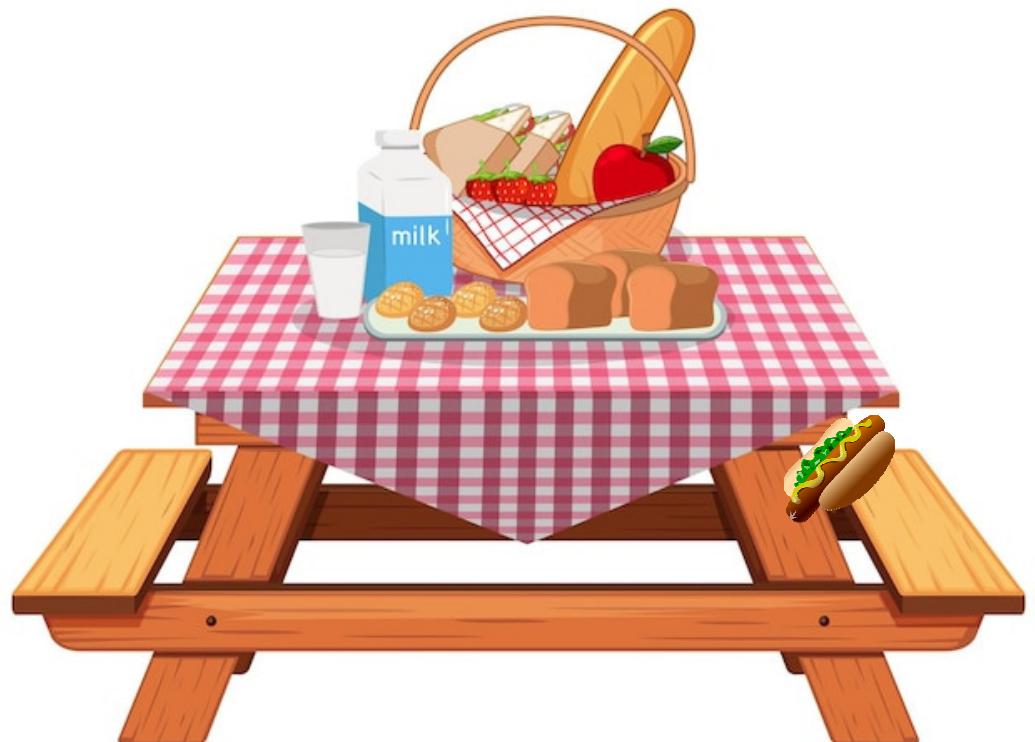
**Sunday, September 22, 2024**

**5 p.m.**

**At The Theophilus Home,  
507 E. 3rd St. Fremont, NE**

**Chicken and Hot dogs, Pop and Coffee  
Provided by the club**

**Bring yourself and a salad, veggie or dessert if you can**



### PARC Officers & Chairpeople

**President,** Steve Narans, WBOVNF  
**V. President,** Matt Jones, ALDR  
**Secretary,** Dave Theophilus, WØNRW  
**Treasurer,** Sharon Martens, KBØTVB

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Phil Bahl KAQUNB  
Darlene Hoffman NOLOP  
Wes Christmas, KDØPGV & 2 Officers  
**Club Trustee:** Lance Hoffman, WNØL

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

**Hospitality:** Sharon Martens, KBØTVB  
**Field Day:** Tony Renze, KØØMH  
**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 re-  
main \$10. whenever paid.

**Life Membership:** \$200.

#### **Send To:**

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## Hamfests 2024

9-7-24—Ak-Sar-Ben  
ARC Flea-Esta, Oma-  
ha, NE

9-7-24—SARA Ham-  
fest in Sioux City, IA

11-16-24—EVARC  
Hamfest in Norfolk, NE

For a complete list of  
Hamfests see arrl.org/  
hamfests-and-  
conventions-calendar

# AK-SAR-BEN ARC

September 7, 2024 9 a.m 2 p.m.

## FLEA—ESTA

Entry Fee \$5 Tables: \$10 Prepaid Reserved  
\$12 at the door (if available) No Tailgating

**Vendor:** D & L Antenna Supply

License Testing

Breakfast and Lunch On-Site

#### **Location:**

Metro Community College, South Omaha Campus  
Cam Bldg Room 120, 2709 Edward Babe Gomez Ave  
Omaha, NE