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ARAC's 90th Anniversary

Almost ninety-three years ago, in February 1927, a Radio Instructor named Mr. Heiser gave the code and theory test ten young men. They sat for their exam around a big oak table on the second floor of the Federal Building in Duluth, eager to earn their official amateur radio licenses. Among them were Arthur Wright W9GKM, John Young W9GKN, Lawrence Lindesmith W9GKO, and Carl Johnson W9GKP.

During that time, many area young people who were drawn to "all things radio" made their way to the home of Palmer Anderson, a former cargo ship dock loader who was bed-ridden from a terrible work accident.

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"Arrowhead Radio Amateurs" Official Certificate of Affiliation from the ARRL—Dec 2, 1929



Prez Sez ...

HO HO HO!! MERRY CHRISTMAS !!!

Yes it is December and that means the **A.R.A.C Christmas Party** at the December club meeting on **December 12**. Please note we start at **6:00 PM** that night. We ask everyone to bring a non-perishable food item for the Food Shelf. Also, if you can pick up something for the gift exchange that would be great. There will be food provided by the club but many people also bring a dish to share. We will start at 6:00 PM with business meeting, the election of Club Officers and the presentation of the W9IBM award. After that we will eat and be entertained by singers from Duluth East High School. Hope to see you all there!!!

90 Years Old, That is how old the A.R.A.C. will be in December. We are planning to operate a special event using the WØGKP call sign. Mike Lovold NØPDG is designing a special QSL card for this. The plan is for club members to operate from home using the Club call and you would need to keep a log of all contacts you make. We haven't set the date yet; it would most likely be a one-week period, so pay attention to the 94 net or get ahold of me.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!

Gene Ellefsen NØVRM

ARAC Board of Directors

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It's time to elect our ARAC Board Members for 2020!

Nominations for Club Officers

PRESIDENT
Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM

SECRETARY Robin Davis

FIRST YEAR BOARD MEMBER Gary Minter-KD9ABS

VICE PRESIDENT
Mike Lovold-N0PDG

TREASURER
Bruce Carlson-KE0NIT

Attend the December 12th Club Meeting at 6:00 p.m. to vote.

The evening will continue with a Celebration of our 90th Anniversary & Christmas Party

The **Thomas J Reibold Award** honors outstanding service to the Club and to the hobby of Ham Radio. The 2019 Award will be presented at the December 12th meeting.

ALSO: Don't forget to bring a gift for the gift table and also a non-perishable food item for the food shelf!



ARAC Club Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2019

Present:

President Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM
Vice President Mike Lovold-N0PDG
Treasurer / Membership Bruce Carlson-KE0NIT
Secretary Robin Davis
Third Year Board Gary Minter-KD9ABS
Second Year Board Dave Davis-AA0AC
First Year Board Bob Boyd-KD0YLN
Chaplain (Visiting) Rolland Bockbrader-KB0CK
Special Events – Open / Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM acting
Ham Fest / Education Bob Schultz-KC0NFB
Property / Picnic Scott Ahlgren-N0VYU
Newsletter / Historian Kim Waller-KE0NQS
Newsletter Steve Waller-KE0NQT
Repeater Randy Wabik-KR0B
Testing Doug Nelson-AA0AW

Absent:

Parliamentarian Grant Forsyth-KC0WUP Repeater Derek McCorison-W0DNF Repeater Randy Haglin-N0BZZ Web Site Thomas Dorr-KE0RHA

Meeting called to order by President Gene-N0VRM at 7:03 pm

Minutes:

Minutes from November Board meeting – Mike-N0PDG took the minutes for the Board meeting and he used his daughter's notebook. They are missing for now because she took the notebook with her. October minutes have been posted on the web page and are in the newsletter

Treasurer's Report:

Checking 1,664.87 Savings 1,372.37 Cash Subtotal \$3,037.24

Outstanding Check (Repeater # 1414) -1,100.00

Winter CD 1,707.19 Summer CD 1,700.00 CD Subtotal \$3.407.19

Grand Total \$5,344.43

Motion to approve by Bob-KC0NFB, seconded by Mark Soder-KI0DB, motion passed

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Board Meeting:

Two motions discussed and made at the Board meeting. They are:

Motion to spend up to \$500.00 for the food for the Christmas party, moved by Doug-AA0AW, seconded by Scott-N0VYU, motion passed

Motion to spend up to \$100.00 for gifts, moved by Mike-N0PDG, seconded by Dave-AA0AC, motion passed

Committee Reports:

Christmas Party:

Donations for gifts to drawn from the attendance tickets and given away during the Christmas Party. Please also bring in potluck items as well. The Club buys meat & cheese trays, a fruit tray, a veggie tray, along with Bob-KC0NFB's Beans and Dennis Anderson-W0DIO's famous meatballs (made by Judy Anderson). Everyone is reminded to bring a non-perishable food item or two for the Food Shelf. It is the time of year where folks are hungry and there is a great need for the food shelves to be utilized

Education:

Down to three (3) in the class. New class starting in February 2020. Last day of class will be testing session. General and Extra class is also down to three (3) as well

Testing

December 10, House of Refuge, 115 W Myrtle St, 5:30 registration, 6:00 testing, \$15.00 fee, copy of your license if upgrading. Questions? Call or email Doug-AA0AW

Chaplain:

A card & gift was sent to the family of Mark Rude-AK0Z

Also a card to Carol Christensen-KC0MAK with the passing of her mother

Special Events:

Sky Warn Recognition Day

December 7, 2019, starting Friday night at 6:00 pm. We will have two (2) HF stations operating. It is open to visitors but weather station security requires prior permission to gain access, talk to Doug-AA0AW for pre-approved access. It is quite interesting and you get a chance to meet the Meteorologists. It is also Pearl Harbor Day. There is an in-house competition with different certificates, nobody wins and it is just for fun. Listen on the Repeater for contacts

ARAC 90th Club Anniversary:

90th Anniversary of ARAC is coming up in December, on December 3, 2019. The Board discussed hosting a weeklong event using W0GKP call sign instead of your personal Amateur Radio Call Sign. This was done for the 70th and the 80th Anniversary celebrations. Mike-N0PDG is working on a special QSL card. Personal touch using the Call Sign but also indicating the operator. Kim-KE0NQS, Mike-N0PDG and Steve-KE0NQT are working on a program discussing the history of the Club, where the Club came from and why it was formed

Nominations for Club Officers:

President:

Gene Ellefsen-N0VRM

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Vice President:

Mike Lovold-N0PDG

Secretary:

Robin Davis

Treasurer:

Bruce Carlson-KE0NIT

First Year Board Member:

Gary Minter-KD9ABS

Thank you to Dave-AA0AC for handling the nominations

Winner of \$5.00 door prize - Diane Saunders-K0DSL

Motion to adjourn by Mike-NOPDG, seconded by several, motion passed

U.S. AIR FORCE MILITARY AUXILIARY RADIO SYSTEM

Minnesota State MARS Director Reginald B. Cass / AFS5MN



Gene Ellefsen NØVRM

Thank you for your time and interest.

Air Force MARS membership could be for you. We do hope that it is.

If you have the following interests, and capabilities, we are interested in recruiting you to become an Air Force MARS member. Completion of the following on line training is mandatory:

Personally, Identifiable Information (PII) https://iatraining.disa.mil/eta/piiv2/launchPage.htm

Cyber Awareness https://iatraining.disa.mil/eta/disa_cac2018/launchPage.htm

If you have completed: <u>Incident Command System</u> (ICS) -100, 200, 700, and 800 training, and have obtained certification for Air Force MARS or are willing to obtain this training, again, Air Force MARS could be for you.

You must be interested in joining a group of individuals that are dedicated to amateur radio, emergency communications, and willingness to learn and used military communications procedures for voice and digital communications.

You must have equipment that will meet the minimum requirements for voice and digital operation. The equipment will be: transmitter, receiver, (transceiver) modified to operate out of amateur radio bands, computer, modem, and antenna's that are designed to operate on military assigned frequencies. (The best antenna's will be a dipole cut to the operational frequency. NVIS antennas work best. You will not need a linear amplifier, however if you have one that will operate on out of amateur radio bands that will be a plus)

You must go through and complete training. You are allowed up to 180 days to do so.

Air Force MARS operation's and procedures are based upon "MARS Operating Instruction", (MOI). The MOI manual uses as its basis for instruction a series of Allied Communications Publications (ACP's), Department of Defense Directives, Department of Defense Instructions, and Department of Defense Manual.

If you already belong to a MARS program and would like to consider Air Force MARS, please contact one of the recruiting team members.

For even more information please open and read the attachment.

Our recruitment team is as follows:

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AFA5JY Reg, KAØRJY reg cass@msn.com



Contest Calendar - December 2019

+ ARS Spartan Sprint + QRP Fox Hunt + Phone Fray + CWops Mini-CWT Test	0200Z-0400Z, Dec 3 0200Z-0330Z, Dec 4 0230Z-0300Z, Dec 4 1300Z-1400Z, Dec 4 and 1900Z-2000Z, Dec 4 and 0300Z-0400Z, Dec 5
+ QRP ARCI Topband Sprint	0000Z-0300Z, Dec 5 1800Z-1900Z, Dec 5 (CW) and 1900Z-2000Z, Dec 5 (SSB) and 2000Z-2100Z, Dec 5 (FM) and
+ NRAU 10m Activity Contest	2100Z-2200Z, Dec 5 (Dig)
+ SKCC Sprint Europe	2000Z-2200Z, Dec 5
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 6
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 6
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 6
+ ARRL 160-Meter Contest	2200Z, Dec 6 to 1600Z, Dec 8
+ UFT Contest	0500Z-0800Z, Dec 7 and 1500Z-1800Z, Dec 7 and 0700Z-1000Z, Dec 8 0600Z-0629Z, Dec 7 and 0630Z-0659Z, Dec 7 and 0700Z-0729Z, Dec 7 and
+ Wake-Up! QRP Sprint	0730Z-0800Z, Dec 7
+ SKCC Weekend Sprintathon	1200Z, Dec 7 to 2400Z, Dec 8
+ PRO CW Contest	1600Z, Dec 7 to 1559Z, Dec 8
+ International Naval Contest	1600Z, Dec 7 to 1559Z, Dec 8
+ FT Roundup	1800Z, Dec 7 to 2359Z, Dec 8
+ EPC Ukraine DX Contest	2000Z, Dec 7 to 1959Z, Dec 8
+ QRP ARCI Holiday Spirits Homebrew Sprint	2000Z-2300Z, Dec 8
+ 4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint + NAQCC CW Sprint	0100Z-0300Z, Dec 9 0130Z-0330Z, Dec 11

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Contest Calendar - December 2019, Continued

+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 11
+ Phone Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 11
-	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 11 and
	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 11 and
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 12
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 13
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 13
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 13
+ PODXS 070 Club Triple Play Low Band Sprint	0000Z, Dec 14 to 2359Z, Dec 16
+ ARRL 10-Meter Contest	0000Z, Dec 14 to 2400Z, Dec 15
+ TRC Digi Contest	0600Z, Dec 14 to 1800Z, Dec 15
+ CQC Great Colorado Snowshoe Run	2100Z-2259Z, Dec 15
+ Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	0200Z-0400Z, Dec 16
+ NAQCC CW Sprint	0130Z-0330Z, Dec 18
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 18
+ Phone Fray	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 18
	1300Z-1400Z, Dec 18 and
	1900Z-2000Z, Dec 18 and
+ CWops Mini-CWT Test	0300Z-0400Z, Dec 19
+ NCCC RTTY Sprint	0145Z-0215Z, Dec 20
+ QRP Fox Hunt	0200Z-0330Z, Dec 20
+ NCCC Sprint	0230Z-0300Z, Dec 20
+ AGB-Party Contest	1600Z-1700Z, Dec 20
+ Russian 160-Meter Contest	2000Z-2400Z, Dec 20
+ OK DX RTTY Contest	0000Z-2400Z, Dec 21
+ Feld Hell Sprint	0000Z-2359Z, Dec 21
+ Gedebage CW Contest	1200Z, Dec 21 to 1159Z, Dec 22
+ Padang DX Contest	1200Z, Dec 21 to 1159Z, Dec 22
+ Croatian CW Contest	1400Z, Dec 21 to 1400Z, Dec 22
+ ARRL Rookie Roundup, CW	1800Z-2359Z, Dec 22
+ SKCC Sprint	0000Z-0200Z, Dec 25

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Contest Calendar - December 2019, Continued



- + Phone Fray
- + CWops Mini-CWT Test
- + DARC Christmas Contest
- + NCCC RTTY Sprint
- + NCCC Sprint
- + RAC Winter Contest
- + Original QRP Contest
- + Stew Perry Topband Challenge
- + RAEM Contest
- + QCX Challenge
- + Bogor Old and New Contest

0230Z-0300Z, Dec 25

1300Z-1400Z, Dec 25 and

1900Z-2000Z, Dec 25 and

0300Z-0400Z, Dec 26

0830Z-1059Z. Dec 26

0145Z-0215Z, Dec 27

0230Z-0300Z, Dec 27

0000Z-2359Z. Dec 28

1500Z, Dec 28 to 1500Z, Dec 29

1500Z, Dec 28 to 1500Z, Dec 29

0000Z-1159Z. Dec 29

1300Z-1400Z. Dec 30 and

1900Z-2000Z, Dec 30 and

0300Z-0400Z, Dec 31

0900Z-2359Z, Dec 31

Our thanks to Bruce Horn, WA7BNM for use of this calendar.

Please visit Bruce's site at https://www.contestcalendar.com/contestcal.html for many other helpful contest calendar formats.

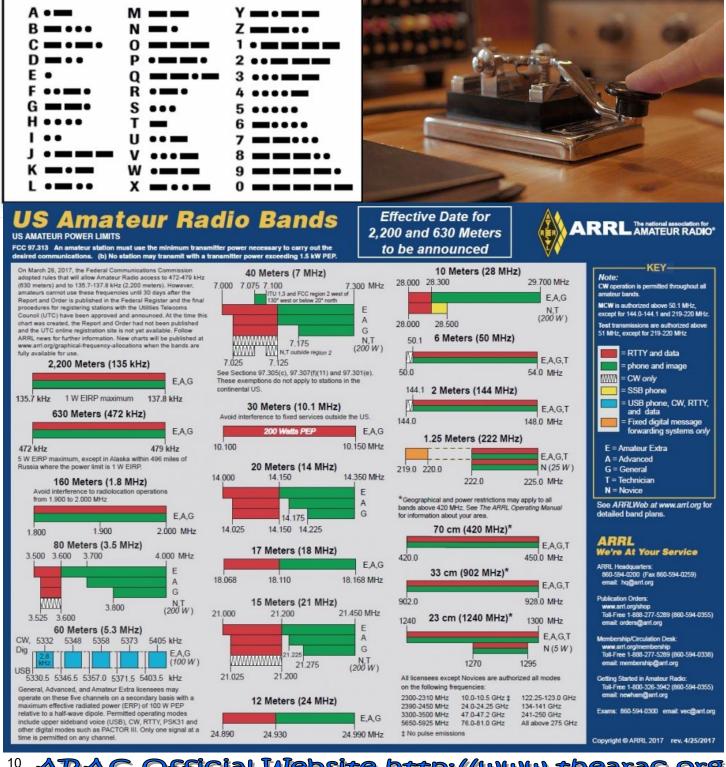
CW Abbreviations

AS Pse QRX BK Back to You SK End of Contact AR End of Message

TU Thank You **PSE Please** K Invite to Transmit

QST Calling all Amateurs QRL Are You Buzy? QRU Have anything for me

QRV Are You Ready? QRX Standby **QRS** Transit Slower



Nets... Nets... Nets... Nets... Nets... Nets... Nets...

Have a favorite HF/6m/2m/1.25m/7Øcm net that you check into or listen in on? Also, please send corrections and we will add it to the list below - Kim KEØNQS at my email KEØNQSmn@gmail.com.

- Northland Weather Group Net: Mondays 2ØØØ on the ARAC repeater (146.940 MHz with a tone of 103.5 and standard offset).
- Minnesota D-Star Net: Sundays at 19:3Ø on Reflector 53A
- Minnesota Section Net 12ØØ and 173Ø on 3.86Ø [Net Manager: NØYR] http://www.mn-section.org/dept_stm.html
- The non-non-net: Evenings 2000 144.200 USB except for Sunday evenings.
- Badger WX Net: Ø5ØØ-Ø715 on 3.985. Give 24 hour high/low/current temperature, precipitation and snowfall.
- PICONET: 3.925 from Ø9ØØ-11ØØ CT Mon-Sat and 16ØØ-17ØØ CT Mon-Fri. Info at: http://www.piconet3925.com
- Michigan Upper Peninsula Net: 16ØØ (CST) on 3.921 MHz Sun-Sat and 12ØØ Sun. Info: http://www.michupnet.com
- Great Lakes Marine/Maritime Mobile Net: Morning Ø7:3Ø 3.932; Ø8:15 7.261 MHz and evening 18:3Ø 3.173Ø927; 19:15 7.268 MHz. Weekend extra net: 1Ø:ØØ 7.261/7.268 MHz. All CST, LSB and +/- QRM. See: http://www.sailblogs.com/member/glmmnet/
- MIDCARS: Ø7:3Ø-13:ØØ 7.258 MHz. See: http://www.midcars.net
- Iowa snowbird net on 14.257MHz, M-W-F at 1Ø:ØØ am Local Time. This is an open net.
- Spider Web Net (Marco Island FL) on 14.347 every morning at Ø73Ø CST/CDT: http://www.spiderwebnet.net
- Maritime Mobile Service Network: Daily at 11ØØ—21ØØ Central on 14.3ØØ. http://mmsn.org and http://www.143ØØ.net
- RV Radio Network: Every day at 19ØØ Central on 7.265 MHz. Web site: http://www.rvradionetwork.com
- Upper Midwest Ten Meter Net: Every Thursday Evening @ 8 PM 28.48Ø MHz USB
- Wisconsin Sideband Net: Daily @ 5:15 PM 3985 [or 3982.5] KHz LSB
- Upper Midwest Ten Meter Net: Every Thursday Evening @ 8 PM 28.48Ø MHz USB
- Hobby Helpers Net Tuesday @ 8 PM 28.33Ø MHz USB (Isanti MN) LSB [Net Manager: WOØA].
- Northstar Trader Net: 3.9Ø8 +/- at Ø83Ø CST Sundays
- WARFA: 3.9Ø8 +/- Sun/Tue/Thu nights at 22ØØ CST, http://warfa.org/
- Youth Net: 14.32Ø-1433Ø Sundays 18ØØ-19ØØ UTC, Net Control: AC8PI
- YACHT: Saturdays 19ØØ CST on EchoLink #481872, http://yachthams.webstarts.com
- Northwestern Ontario ARES Net: Evenings at 2Ø:15 (Central) on +/- 3.75ØMhz
- The Iron Range Net: Saturdays at Ø8ØØ Central time on or near 3.919 Mhz. Look them up on Facebook!
- FORX Net: Mondays at 19ØØ Central at 3.941 Mhz +/- QRM. WAØJXT Grand Forks, North Dakota
- HF CW: Fridays Ø8:ØØ CST, 7.112 MHz. Informal slow speed CW Net. W8IRT NCS. Email: w8irt@aol.com
- Minnesota ARES Digital Net: Thursdays at 2ØØØ CST, 3.5835 MHz USB +/- QRM, Mode: Olivia 8/5ØØ.
- SARA Digital Net: Sundays at 19ØØ Local, 3.582.15Ø MHz USB +/- QRM, Mode: BPSK31/BPSK63
- Spider Web Net (Marco Island FL): 14.347 every morning at Ø73Ø CST/CDT: http://www.spiderwebnet.net
- Broadcaster Net: 7.231 or 3.855 M/W/F @ 15ØØ UTC. 14.255 M-F @ 213Ø UTC. http://www.cbsretirees.com/ham.htm
- Old Military Radio Net: 7.268 +/- nightly at Ø2ØØz. Other times/Frequencies too. See: http://www.mrca.ar88.net/
- Rag Chew Crew/Tailgaters/Freewheelers Nets: 3.916 +/- nightly at 19ØØ CST, http://www.tailgatersnet.com
- North South Net: 7.214.6 +/- at Ø7ØØ CST, Monday-Saturday



Next **ARAC Board Meeting**

Tuesday, Dec 3, 2Ø19 @ 6:30 p.m. Sammy's West Duluth

KCØNFB Bob, would like to remind all hams to make sure your license is current and up-to-date on your address. You can visit the FCC ULS to check it and make changes at www.fcc.gov/uls.

Amateur Radio License Testing

Dec 10 **House of Refuge** 115 West Myrtle, Duluth, MN

5:30 pm registration, 6:00 testing, \$15.00 testing fee, which is a bargain Questions? Contact Bob KCØNFB at kcØnfb@charter.net

General & Expert License Study Group

With Diane Saunders KØDSL

- Tuesdays through Dec 3rd
- 7pm—9 pm **House of Refuge**

ARAC's 90th Anniversary **Christmas Party!**

Next ARAC Club Meeting:

Thursday, December 12, 2019 6 p.m.

Copper Top Church

Please bring a non-perishable food item for food shelves that serve needy families this **Holiday Season!**

Bring your piece of ARAC History to display on our **Club History Table**

- **Club Business: Election of Officers**
- **Door Prize Drawing**
- Tasty Food (Bring a treat to share if you'd like!
- Gift Exchange: Bring a gift of \$10 value to share
- **Club History Presentation**

Interested in providing a program, or have an idea for one? Contact Mike NØPDG at lovoldm@gmail.com

CLUB REPEATER WØGKP

146.94 (-) **CTCSS TONE** 103.5

Duluth Area Repeaters



ARAC	System	WØGKP
Freq.	Offset	Tone

Freq.	Offset	Tone	Location
146.940	minus	103.5	Duluth
146.940	minus	107.2	Lakeside (recv)
146.940	minus	151.4	Two Harbors (recv)
146.940	minus	100.0	Gary-New Duluth (recv)
146.940	minus	123.0	Solway (recv)
146.940	minus	110.9	Cloquet (recv)
147.000	minus	103.5	Mahtowa
444.100	plus	103.5	Duluth UHF Link

N9MMU/N9QWH System (WI)

145.310	minus	110.9	Duluth
145.490	minus	110.9	Solon Springs
147.255	plus	110.9	Hayward
145.110	minus	110.9	Rice Lake
147.345	minus	136.5	Holcombe
145.230	minus	110.9	Eau Claire

WECOMM - WI Statewide Linked System WE9COM

147.075 plus 110.9 Meteor Hill (closest repeater to Duluth)

LSAC System #1

147.330	plus	151.4	Proctor
147.330	plus	103.5	Duluth (recv for Proctor)
147.330	plus	156.7	Duluth (North) (Fish Lake)
147.270	plus	114.8	Two Harbors
147.270	plus	103.5	Wales
147.090	plus	114.8	Silver Bay
145.410	minus	114.8	Finland
147.300	plus	114.8	Isabella
145.150	minus	103.5	Washburn, WI
146.700	minus	103.5	Bayfield, WI
443.850	+5.00	none	Bayfield, WI
147.165	plus	110.9	Hurley, WI
146.640	minus	151.4	Ely
443.500	+5.00	141.3	Gilbert
147.060	plus	103.5	Virginia
147.360	plus	162.2	Cook
147.165	plus	114.8	Coleraine
443.925	+5.00	110.9	Brainerd

NARC System NAØRC

145.45Ø	minus	1Ø3.5	Solway Twp
145.45Ø	minus	114.8	Park Point (rcv)
147.135	plus	114.8	Park Point (rcv)
147.135	plus	1Ø3.5	Knife River

Stand Alone Repeaters

145.21Ø	minus	11Ø.9	Clam Lake, WI
146.88Ø	minus	123.Ø	Grand Rapids
146.91Ø	minus	146.2	Duxbury, MN

Fusion and D Star

Fusion (Analog has tone and C4FM digital with no tone)

147.15Ø	plus	151.4	NTØB Gilbert Fusio	n Rptr
145.17Ø	minus	11Ø.9	WA9KLM Superior -	_
Doug	alas Count	RACES/A	ARES Fusion Repeater	

443.1ØØ +5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 KBØYHX Cloquet – Carlton County RACES/ARES Fusion Repeater

444.3ØØ +5.ØØ 1Ø3.5 NØEO Spirit Valley Amateurs Fusion Repeater WIRES-X NØEO

> 147.375 plus NØEO D Star 442.2ØØ plus NØEO D Star

[Repeater list compiled by Dr. Frequency—KCØWDQ]

ST. Louis County Department of Emergency Services Net Control Roster

N9DMG Scott Swanson **NØVRM** Gene Ellefsen **KCØWDQ AAØAW Doug Nelson** Paul Dallavia **WØNWO Dave Miller WØDIO Dennis Anderson KØDSL Diane Saunders** AAØME **Randy Johnson**

Sunday Nights at 2100 on the ARAC System (See Calendar for net control schedule)

Ten Meter SSB Net Control Roster

AAØAW Doug Nelson NUØW Gary Hanson WØDIO Dennis Anderson AAØME Randy Johnson Sunday Nights at 2ØØØ on 28.45Ø MHz USB

Ten Meter CW Net Control Roster

AAØAW Doug Nelson NØPDG Mike Lovold Sunday Nights at 193Ø on 28.125 MHz

Northland Weather Group Net Control Roster

KCØMKS Jeff Nast

Monday Nights at 2000 on the ARAC System

Douglas County Net

Tuesday Nights at 2ØØØ on 145.49Ø (N9QWH System)

Central Carlton County Net

Tuesday Nights at 2Ø3Ø on the ARAC System

Lake County RACES/ARES Net

2nd & 4th Wednesday Nights at 19ØØ on the LSAC 1 System

Elmers

El-mer / ɛl-mər/ [el-mer]

- 1. a male given name: from Old English words meaning "noble" and "famous."
- 2. an adhesive used to bond like or unlike materials
- 3. An experienced ham radio operator who mentors new and prospective hams.

Name Call **Expertise** Jeff Nast KCØMKS APRS, EchoLink, WinLink, Fusion, Contesting Bob Schulz **KCØNFB** Contesting NØJWA Jim Anderson QsoNet Doug Nelson **AAØAW** HF, VHF/UHF, Contesting,

Packet, APRS, Morse Code, VE testing, Echolink, Allstar, EmCom...

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SUNDAY NIGHT NETS

193Ø - CW - 28.125 MHz USB-CW 2ØØØ -USB 28.45Ø MHz

21ØØ - Southern St. Louis County **Emergency Services Net** MONDAY NIGHT NETS

2000- Northland WX Net LSAC & ARAC



CLUB EVENTS

TUESDAY NIGHT NETS

2000 - Douglas Cty 145.490 MHz 2Ø3Ø - Central Carlton County **WEDNESDAY NIGHT NÉTS**

19ØØ -Lake County - LSAC1 2nd & 4th Wednesdays

21ØØ -**BWAR**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 CW 1930 AAØAW USB 2000 K9KDK ES 2100 KØDSL	2	3 ARAC BOARD MEETING 1900 Sammy's West Duluth DC Net 2000 CC Net 2030	4 21ØØ - BWAR	5	6	7 SRD
8 CW 1930 NØPDG USB 2000 WØDIO ES 2100 AAØME	9 DC ARES/ RACES Mtg 1900 DC EOC wx 2000 kcømks	10 DC Net 2000 CC Net 2030	Lake County ARES/RACES Meeting 1800 Lake County Net 1900 21ØØ -BWAR	ARAC Club Meeting & 90th Anniversary Christmas Party Coppertop Church 6 pm!	13	14
CW 1930 AAØAW USB 2000 NØVRM ES 2100 N9DMG	16 wx 2000 kcømks	DC Net 2000 CC Net 2030	St. Louis County ARES/ RACES Mtg 1630 Pike Lake EOC 21ØØ -BWAR	19	20	21
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29 CW 1930 AAØAW USB 2000 AAØAW ES 2100 KCØWDQ	30 wx 2000 ксøмкs	31 DC Net 2000 CC Net 2030				

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Next Meeting: Thursday,

December 12, 2019 - 6 pm Coppertop Church

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CONGRATULATIONS

To new hams who have joined our community in the last few weeks, as well as those who have newly upgraded — to General or Extra:

Dave Schreyer WAØAWZ - New Club Member!

Contest Calendar at www.contestcalendar.com

National Contest Journal at www.ncjweb.com

QSO Party Note: State/Province/National QSO Parties are abbreviated with the 2 or 3 letter abbreviation for the state/province/national designation followed by QP for QSO Party:

Examples: Minnesota QSO Party is MNQP

British Columbia QSO Party = BCQP

QRZ web site at www.qrz.com

VHF Propagation site at www.aprs.mountainlake.k12.mn.us

Reminder: The Contest Corral monthly listing of contests can be found in each issue of QST. ARRL sponsored contests can be found in Contest Corral, highlighted, or on the

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With his right hand, Palmer Anderson W9DOQ worked a telegraph key on a clip board laid out on his stomach while he reclined. He tapped out international morse code and ran a ham radio parts exchange out of his home. A steady stream of admiring visitors helped him pack and unpack radio parts orders as they learned about the exciting world of amateur radio by listening to him speak.

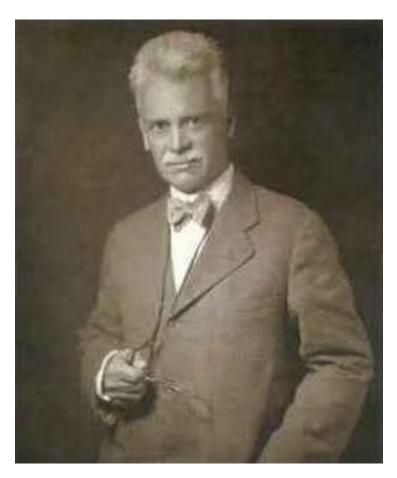
After awhile, Lawrence Lindesmith started talking to his newly-licensed fellow hams about forming an official club and an application to the American Radio Relay League was sent as they waited with great anticipation. Then one day, from ARRL's headquarters in Hartford, Connecticut, came a Certificate of Affiliation that was granted on December 2, 1929 to "Arrowhead Radio Amateurs, Duluth, Minnesota", signed by ARRL president and founder Hiram Percy Maxim.

At least 5 charter Club members (Lindesmith, Wright, Johnson, Young & Anderson) began meeting in each others homes, helping each other assemble their stations and discussing 20 meters and cw as well as the latest technology in voice communication via radio waves according to Radio News magazine and Popular Mechanics.

Amateur radio originally was limited to morse code, but early amateur radio operators were often also involved in the proliferation of broadcast radio stations. In his excellent article "Vintage Radio: The Contributions Of 'Amateurs'- Giving Radio A Voice", Paul Litwinovich's of WHSU 1260 AM, Westport Connecticut writes:

"[Early] Amateur operators were fascinated by the prospect of sending voice over radio waves. They started by building small homemade radio frequency alternators and inserting a carbon telephone

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Radio Pioneer Hiram Percy Maxim, circa 1929

Hiram Percy Maxim was an American radio pioneer and inventor, and co-founder of the American Radio Relay League. Hiram Percy Maxim is credited with inventing and selling the first commercially successful firearm silencer, and also with developing mufflers for internal combustion engines. -Wikipedia

ARRL History Factoid

The distances that early radio technology could cover, particularly with lower power levels available to most amateurs, were relatively short, about 30 miles on average. The original purpose of the ARRL, as its name implies, was to form a network of amateurs who could relay messages across the country by repeating it from one to another. The league quickly grew in number, and within a year published its first monthly journal, QST, which is a Morse code term meaning that a bulletin is about to be sent for all amateurs. The ARRL also grew in lobbying power and influenced the development of radio regulations that included, and favored, amateur radio operators.

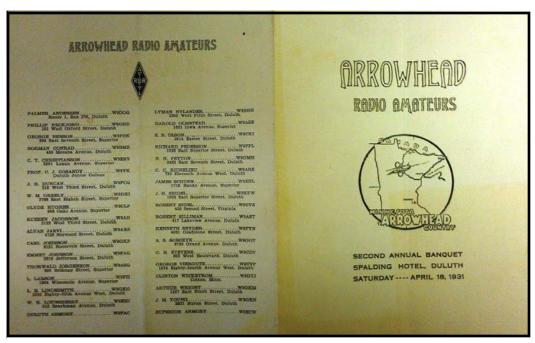
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microphone between the alternator and their antenna. This worked fairly well, but only for transmitters of a scant few watts. More than that would overheat and burn out the microphone.

"Enter the vacuum tube. By the 1920s, the vacuum tube had evolved to the point were it could be used to build transmitters of 100 watts or more, producing a clean signal that could easily be modulated by voice. Tubes also allowed the building of receivers that were sensitive enough to receive and demodulate a voice signal. The general population was fascinated by this new technology, and many built receiver apparatus. Some amateurs began broadcasting music over their stations, as this was not illegal at the time. One such operator, Frank Conrad, whose call sign was 8XK, began doing so in 1916. Radio listeners asked him for more. His efforts led to the first commercial station, Westinghouse's KDKA, going on the air in 1920, where he served as an engineer. The creation of broadcast regulations prohibited amateurs from playing music or other forms of broadcasting. From this point on, they were limited to experimentation and communicating with other amateurs."

The overlapping interest of broadcast radio and amateur radio has distinct roots in Duluth as well. In June 1926 Charlie Persons arrived in Duluth, Minnesota with the sole aim of working for WEBC. A faithful listener some 30 miles away in Wisconsin, he made a beeline to the broadcast studio located on the second floor of the Spalding Hotel in Duluth. There he met station owner Leslie Ross, who operated the station as a hobby out of the proceeds from his business, Ross Electric Shop. Charlie became a jack-of-all-trades at the radio station, including administering the "open mic" time, in which people interested in broadcast radio could line up down the hallway and wait for their turn to recite their poem, or topical essay or sing a song.

Early hams (including charter ARAC members Lawrence Lindesmith, Art Wright, Carl Johnson and John Young) were among these people on line (giving us an interesting glimpse on an original use of the phrase "on line"!). The Spalding Hotel was a very popular place to gather for those interested in radio of all sorts, so much so that the early Arrowhead Radio Amateurs found it fitting to proudly hold the early annual Club banquets there. Though we have no record of the first annual ARAC banquet, only the second, chances are excellent that the first annual affair was celebrated there as well.



at Palmer Gathering Anderson's house and the Spalding Hotel, our 5 charter club members got to know a lot of others who were interested in radio. Some were licensed hams and others learned more about ham radio from "ARA" members while Club waiting on line WEBC. The young club was very effective in inviting new members to join the group.

By April 1931, at the time of the Arrowhead Radio

"Arrowhead Radio Amateurs" Second Annual Banquet Program (Front & Back) April 18,

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Amateurs second annual banquet, there were 34 official members in the club! Eventually, Charlie Persons of WEBC became an amateur radio operator as well and stayed on to become a regional director at WEBC for 38 years.

Our "Arrowhead Radio Amateur" charter club members went on to work an entire career at Northwestern Bell Telephone Company (Art Wright W9GKM) and form a new business called Northwest Radio (Lawrence Lindesmith W9GKO, Carl Johnson W9GKP, Palmer Anderson W9DOQ). Other early club members joined our armed forces and went on to make radio history in a variety of ways.

1931 ARROWHEAD RADIO

AMATEUR CLUB MEMBERS

PALMER ANDERSEN	W9DOC
PHILLIP BECKJORD	W9GHD
GEORGE BENSON	W9FBK
NORMAN L. CONRAD	W9BME
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JOHNM. YOUNG	W9GKN



Look at our 1931 club roster (left) and see how many of these men you knew. Please take some time to share what you know about them so that we can document valuable history of the men that paved the way for the Club we have today. ★



The Spalding Hotel, at the corner of 5th Avenue West & Superior Street

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