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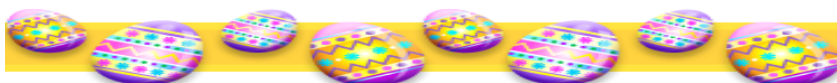
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PARC Repeaters

145.390 MHz
442.875 MHz
Ravenna, Ohio

P.A.R.C. Net

ARES© Net Sunday
145.390 MHz 8:30 p.m.



Hello and Happy New Year 2017 and Happy Spring. Seems a little late for greetings. However with first of the year passing and spring beginning on the 20th of March this year we have dropped down to quarterly newsletters and this is the first for the new year of 2017.

In this issue are some photos from the 2016 Christmas party for the close of the 2016. Club meeting minutes for the past two months are also provided in this issue.

Elected for this years President was Larry Solak W8MPV, Vice President Dave Cluggish N8IIQ, Sec'y/Treasure Joanne Solak KJ3O/8 and the new trustee for three years Lee Voge KA9EXZ.

We are moving forward with this year being our first year at Maplewood for our 30th Hamfair. There are lots of new obstacles to overcome with the setup of this years Hamfair that are different than the fairgrounds setup. I have Included in this issue a copy of the Hamfair flyer for this year and possible table layout. The table layout is the one used by the Ravenna Thunderbirds for the cafeteria for their swap. Please inspect the Hamfair flyer and table layout for any errors and let the officers know of any suggestions or changes.

Contributions to the newsletter or monthly meeting programs are encouraged. If you have any contributions contact Dave Cluggish N8IIQ for meeting programs and Dave Felber N8WWJ for newsletter contributions or email kd8kda@gmail.com.





SECRETARY'S CORNER

Another busy year for the Portage Amateur Radio Club. Our Portage Hamfair 17 is scheduled for July 30, 2017. The event will be held at the Maplewood Career Center, 4075 STATE Route 88, Ravenna, Ohio. This will be our first year at our new location. Also this year we will be celebrating our 30th year of Portage Hamfairs. There are some changes this year. Starting time will be Members Only 6AM until 7AM for set up. With an option of setting up Saturday with a to be announced time. The flea market and inside vendor spaces will be available at 7AM. Event opens to Public at 9AM. There will be ARRL Officials attending this event and there will be VE Amateur Radio Exams available. Sign in 9AM Testing begins at 10AM. That's about it for now. You can see we have been very busy with the plans for Portage Hamfair 17. We are ARRL approved. Tickets in process. We need volunteers this year especially since this is our first year at this new location. So please volunteer to help out. Food will be available in school cafeteria. (Still in planning stages). More info as we go further with the plans.

This Newsletter will contain only the January-February Meeting Minutes. We did not have a Club Meeting in December. Instead our Annual Christmas Party was held. And I might add we had a great party!

The January meeting of the Portage Amateur Radio Club was held January 25, 2017. The meeting was held at the Maplewood Career Center Rt 88, Ravenna Ohio. The meeting was brought to order by President, Larry Solak, WD8MPV, at 7:08 PM. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and General Announcements, the reading of the previous meeting was approved as read and the Treasurer's report approved as submitted. Our new 3 year Trustee, Lee Voge, KA9EXZ, took office at this meeting. We deeply appreciate Outgoing Trustee, Vivian DeSimio, KB8CLH, for her 3 years of Service to the Club. Meeting dates list was passed out to members present. There is a list of meeting dates in this vol of the Newsletter. Following the break, we discussed the repeater update. Repeater not working as we hoped. The amp is off at the Repeater sight. The antenna needs replaced as soon as we get decent weather. The antenna needs to be brought down, replaced, and connectors etc replaced. A work party will be scheduled for this maintenance. We listed the 2-meter Sunday night net controls and on to the program of How to program an HT using the Chirp Software. VP Dave Cluggish, N8IIQ, programmed Walt, N8PZR, HT.



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The last regular monthly meeting of the Portage Amateur Radio Club was held February 22nd 2017. The meeting was brought to order by our President, Larry Solak, WD8MPV, at 7:10 PM. Following the general announcements the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read and the Treasurer's report approved as submitted. We discussed the repeater situation and discussed a work date asap to do the maintenance it/they need. We decided to discuss the Hamfair at this point. The flier was changed to reflect the changes to this year's event. The new times for the event are 9AM until 3PM. With the flea market and inside vendor spaces open at 7AM. Members only arriving at 6AM. There is a possibility of permitting inside vendors set up Saturday (time to be announced). BUT no Over-night parking permitted on school grounds! We are going to add NO SMOKING ON PREMISIS to the flier. Prices for the event will be Flea Market-\$5.00 per space/ \$5.00 entrance donation. Subject to change at this time. Inside tables \$15.00 . If reserved and paid for by May 15th. Price would be \$10.00 (This could change at the next meeting) Entrance donation is \$5.00 each. There will be VE Exams at this event. Still in the planning stage. We are ARRL Approved and ARRL Officials will be present. Next meeting we will assign ticket sellers, ground workers, etc. March 22nd is our next meeting. If you haven't paid your membership dues please do so at this meeting. Dues are \$17 per single membership and \$20 for family membership this year only. The membership dues will adjust back to the normal rate for 2018. That's it for this time around. See you at the meeting! Best 73, Joanne, KJ3O



Ohio Hamfests

April

04/01/2017 | Portsmouth Radio Club Hamfest

Location: Portsmouth , OH

Sponsor: Portsmouth Radio Club

04/08/2017 | CFARC 63rd Annual Hamfest

Location: Cuyahoga Falls, OH

Sponsor: Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://www.cfarc.org/hamfest.php>

04/29/2017 | Jackson County Amateur Radio Club Hamfest

Location: Jackson, OH

Sponsor: Jackson County Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://jacksoncountyarcc.org/page3.html>

04/30/2017 | Athens Hamfest

Location: Athens, OH

Sponsor: Athens County Amateur Radio Association

Website: <http://ac-ara.org/>

May

05/19/2017 | Ohio State Convention (2017 Dayton Hamvention)

Location: Xenia, OH

Sponsor: Dayton Amateur Radio Association

Website: <http://www.hamvention.org>

2017 Parc Meeting Dates

4/26/2017

5/24/2017

6/28/2017

7/26/2017

7/30/2017 Hamfair

8/23/2017

9/27/2017

10/25/2017

11/21/2017 Tuesday





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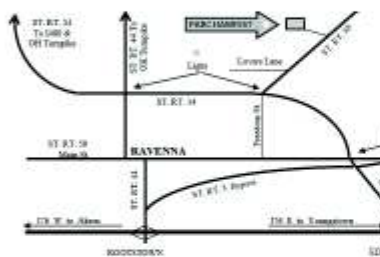
2017 *Our 30th Year*

SUNDAY JULY 30th 2017

For Radio Amateurs Computer &
Electronics Enthusiasts

9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

MAPLEWOOD CAREER CENTER NEW LOCATION



**Unlimited Free Parking with
Indoor Vendors and a Huge Flea Market**

7075 State Route 88, Ravenna, Ohio 44266

Mobile Check-In and Information on 145.39 -.600 MHz
North of Ravenna On St. Rt. 88, 7 Miles North of I-76 exit
38 GPS Coordinates : 41° 11' 04.4" N 81° 13' 26.3" W

VE Exams

Bring original and copy of license
Photo ID and Fee



ARRL

Officials
Have questions?
Ask them

**Donation
\$5.00**

Indoor Tables with electric \$15.00 ea.
If reserved and paid by May, 15 \$10.00ea.
Outside Flea Market spaces \$5.00

Vendor and Flea Market Setup Begins at 7:00am

Main gate opens to public at 9:00 AM

No Overnight Parking or Smoking permitted on School Grounds

Main Prize Drawing 2:30 PM

Winner need not be present for main prize drawings Non-
licensed winners will receive cash value at our cost Hourly
Drawings and Mobile Check in Prize

For Reservations or Information & Tickets Contact

Joanne Solak KJ3O, Secretary/Treasurer

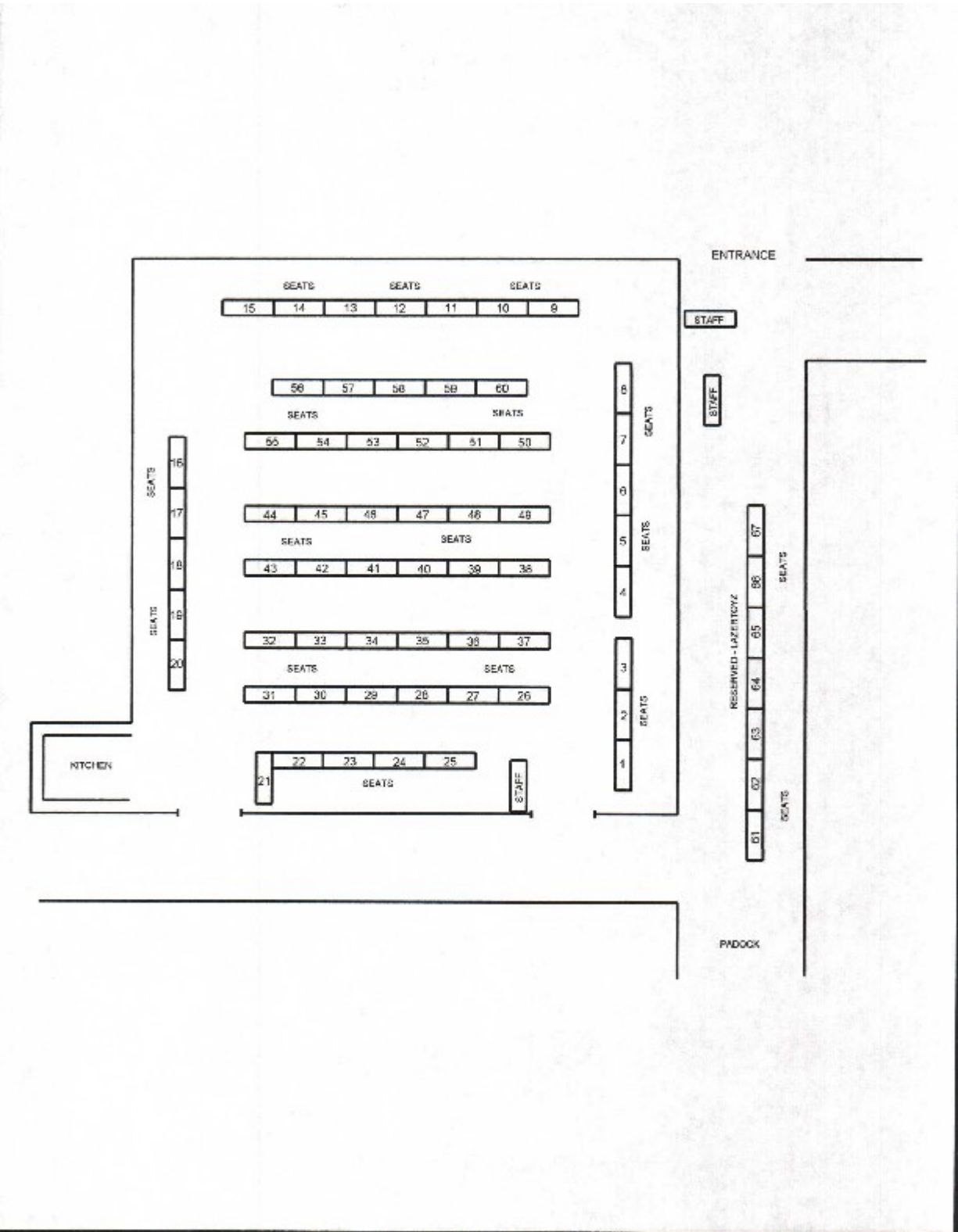
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The Portage Amateur Radio Club, Inc.
meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM
Maplewood Career Center - 7075 State Route 88 - Ravenna, Ohio

Guests are always welcome

For more information contact: Joanne or Larry Solak at: 1-330-274-8240

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HAMFAIR[®] '17 - July 30, 2017

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