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## **Radio Amateur to Pay \$7,000, Face Restricted Privileges to Settle FCC Interference Case**



The US Department of Justice and the FCC have reached a settlement with Brian Crow, K3VR, of North Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, to resolve allegations that Crow intentionally interfered with the communications of other Amateur Radio operators and failed to properly identify. The core component of the settlement calls on Crow to pay \$7,000 to the US Treasury, the FCC and US Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania Scott W. Brady announced in separate July 3 news releases. In addition, Crow's Amateur Extra class license will be restricted to Technician class privileges for 6 months, and he has agreed to discontinue contact with the individuals involved in this case. Crow's Amateur Extra privileges will be restored after 6 months, "if no new violations have been found," the FCC said.

"Amateur Radio licensees know that the rules require them to share the airwaves, which means that bad actors cannot plead ignorance," FCC Enforcement Bureau Chief Rosemary Harold said in the [FCC release](#). "This settlement is a significant payment for an individual operator, and it sends a serious message: Play by the rules in the Amateur Radio band[s] or face real consequences. We thank the US Attorney's Office for understanding the importance of this type of case and pushing it forward to ensure a resolution that included strong penalties for substantial violations of the law."

The settlement resolves a civil complaint (USA v. Brian Crow [No. 17-595]) in Federal District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania to recover an unpaid \$11,500 fine that the FCC imposed on Crow in a 2015 [Forfeiture Order](#).

"Allowing licensed Amateur Radio operators the freedom to converse with others in an orderly fashion and without unwanted disruption is one of the missions of the FCC," Brady said. "This complaint identifies one such individual who intentionally interfered with other law-abiding Amateur Radio operators."

The FCC recounted in its *Forfeiture Order* that it had responded in March 2014 to "several complaints of intentional interference" on 14.313 MHz, and that Commission agents used radio direction-finding techniques to determine the transmission sources. According to the court complaint against Crow, FCC agents tracked transmissions to Crow's residence and monitored them for approximately 3 hours and heard him transmit slow-scan television (SSTV) signals and a prerecorded voice transmission of another Amateur Radio station on the frequency.

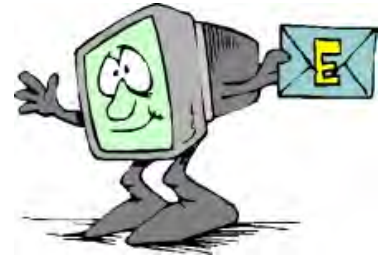
The FCC said it worked with Brady's office to craft the agreement with Crow arising from its *Forfeiture Order* "that found his behavior violated the Communications Act and the Commission's rules."

According to Brady's office, the claims that the settlement resolves "are allegations only, and there has been no determination of liability."

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## Online Fund-Raising Hoax Targeting Some ARRL Members

A poorly worded online solicitation seeking donations to support medical costs for an ill youngster is *not* from ARRL and is a scam! Some members have reported receiving an email with the subject line “Help Support Dawn,” dated on or about June 30, stating that “Dawn” is the critically ill son of an ARRL member and requires urgent surgery.



“ARRL would never send an unsigned email like this to our members,” said ARRL CEO Barry Shelley, N1VXY. “This is clearly a hoax, and we would never solicit for private causes in this fashion. To prey on the willingness of our members to help other hams in need, is particularly despicable.”

The attempt to solicit funds through GoFundMe and PayPal may be aimed at collecting personal and credit card information. ARRL members are urged not to repost, forward, or respond to this request.

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## *ARES® Continues Move Toward Enhanced Training, Paperless Reporting*



As part of upgrades to the ARES® program, ARRL will phase out traditional hard-copy report forms later this year in favor of an online system, [ARES® Connect](#) — a new volunteer management, communication, and reporting system. Goals include aligning the ARES organizational structure with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and Incident Command System (ICS).

Emergency Coordinators (ECs) will continue to lead local ARES teams during an incident, with support from District and Section Emergency Coordinators.

Changes proposed will encompass additional mandatory training to include ARRL Emergency Communications courses and the now-standard FEMA NIMS/ICS courses IS-100, 200, 700, 800, with IS-300 and 400 for higher levels. Other specialty training could include SKYWARN and agency-specific programs.

Training levels attained would dovetail with three new levels of ARES participation: Level One as proposed will be comprised of all entering the program with no training, while progressing through the ARRL emergency communications training and the FEMA Independent Study courses 100, 200, 700, and 800.

Level Two would be attained upon successful completion of these courses, and would be considered the “Standard” level for ARES participants. Level Three would be attained upon completion of the advanced FEMA courses ICS 300 and 400, which would qualify candidates for ARES leadership positions.

Level One participants would be able to fulfill most ARES duties, with a target of attaining Level Two in 1 year. Level Two, the standard participant level, would permit participant access to most incident sites and emergency operations centers (EOCs). Level Three would convey full access as granted by the authority having jurisdiction, plus qualification for ARES leadership.

The Ohio Section has already been given the “GREEN” light to start registrations. Everyone in ARES will need to get registered into the ARES Connect system in order for their volunteer time to be logged.

Have you gotten registered yet? If not, you can start the process by going to the Ohio Section website and clicking on the ARES Connect link on the left side of the page, or <https://arrl.volunteerhub.com/lp/oh/>

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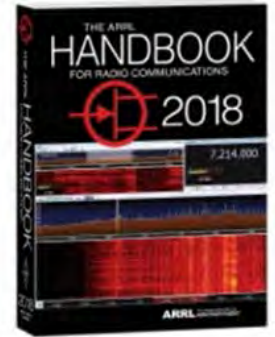
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## *The Handbook Give Away*

Hey Gang,

We had another fantastic response for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July drawing, but I’m sure you’re more interested in knowing just who won the Handbook this month...

And the winner is.... **Gary Smith, W8SDR !** Congrats Gary!!



Many of you ask me just how do I know when the drawing is on? Well, that’s easy all you need to do is check in on the Ohio Section Website on a regular basis and watch for the big RED Arrow that will appear on the left side of the page. This is the sign that the drawing is on and you need to get registered. So, keep a sharp eye out on the website and check in often! <http://arrl-ohio.org>

You just never know.. You just might be the next winner!

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## *One Question Questionnaire*

Hey Gang



There’s another NEW – one question – questionnaire on the Ohio Section Website! <http://arrlohio.org> I noticed that around 63% of you said that you watched fireworks somewhere on the 4<sup>th</sup> this year. That’s really great and I hope you had fun, but most of all were SAFE!

Now, here’s the next question... **“How many transceivers do you regularly carry in your vehicle?”**

It’s all in fun and we are learning some things that we didn’t know from these questions. I hope that you are enjoying answering these “ONE QUESTION” questionnaires.

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## Club Corner

This is YOUR corner of the newsletter. Send me what your club is doing and I'll make sure that it gets in. Got a special event or club project that you want everyone to know about? Send it to me!. Need help with a project? Send it to me.

Let me know what you club is up to. Are you going to have a special guest at your meeting or are you having a special anniversary? Just sent it to: [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com)



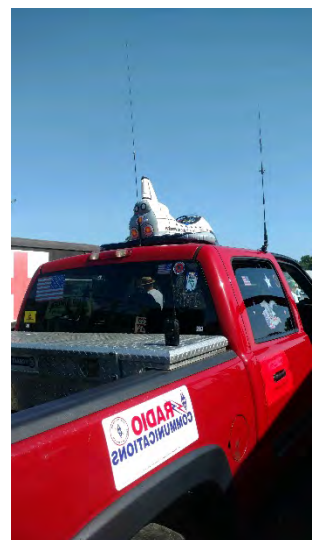
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### Lancaster ARISS in Parade (from Rosalie, K1STO)



I wanted to share with you what our Detroit ARISS Mentor relayed from the Tallmadge Learning Center (Lancaster OH). The center is doing ham radio activities with young people related to their ARISS contact. (Their contact should be in the next few months.) You will see here that they generated good PR in their city of Tallmage's July 4 parade.

I believe Diane is a relatively new ham (about 3 years, maybe) -- probably in her 40s, an age group ARRL hopes to keep active. ARISS is keeping her and her club engaged in our great hobby/service!



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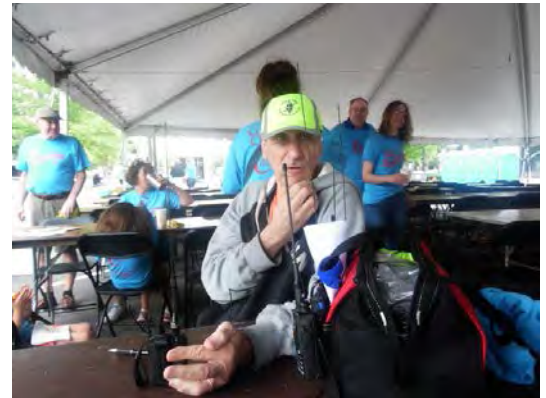
**21st Annual Streetscape Planting Day**  
(from the Voice Coil)



Seven Amateur Radio volunteers helped Youngstown CityScape coordinate the 21st Annual Streetscape Planting Day on Saturday, June 2, 2018. The beautiful weather was a plus as volunteers mulched, trimmed and planted throughout the City.

Communications was the name of the game – making sure that water, mulch, and garden supplies were at each location.

Wes W8IZC and Jamie W8DVS were stationed at the four corners of Wick Park; Rick KD8ZUN and Becky KD8SCF worked with volunteers at Smoky Hollow. Nancy KD8QNY walked West Federal and the John Young Memorial; and Frank WB8YHD and Scott KE4UHC were stationed in the Big Tent on East Federal - Frank as net control and Scott as back up and scribe.



At the end of the day – lunch was provided by downtown restaurants including the famous chocolate iced brownies!

Thanks volunteers for a job well done!  
Nancy KD8QNY

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**Update Hospital Council Of Northwest Ohio Equipment**  
(Brent Stover, WD8PNZ)

Myself, ADEC Dan Stahl KC8PBU, ADEC Steve Ashenfelter N8XSF, DEC District 2 Terry Habegger W8UY and Dwight Momberg KB8KVP are working with the Hospital Council Of Northwest Ohio to put amateur radio equipment in hospitals and non-hospital partners that want them in order to comply with new Federal regulations concerning back up emergency communications.



As a part of this process we approached the hospital council with an idea about using a repeater owned by the Toledo Radio Amateur Club (TRAC). The antenna is located on a local television tower 720 feet in height.

It is high profile repeater and is used as the District 1 Skywarn net repeater when the weather is severe. However, the repeater has been on the tower since the 1980's and was in need of service.



In relating the advantages of using this repeater to establish a working network with the radios we were having installed in several Counties in the Hospital Councils large district it was decided that the Hospital Council through grants would purchase a new repeater antenna and a new repeater and fund the labor required to put the new antenna on the tower to replace the old stationmaster antenna.

I was at the antenna site to assist with the lifting of the new antenna. The weather conditions had to be just right in order for the lift to take place. The antenna shown in the pictures is a Sinclair SC226. There were a number of hurdles encountered along the way but on June 21 we finally got the antenna installed. The weather was a little breezy that day coming off the lake and I can imagine it was more so at 700ft. With storms in the forecast for later that night, we finished up at about 7pm.

The next day the old repeater controller was replaced with a new Yaesu DR-2X repeater. Work continues and we have some tweaking to do but the repeater is back on the air after being shut down for a few weeks and I have been getting some great feedback concerning its operation. Hopefully it will even get better as it is still a work in progress.



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### ***Chesapeake City Council Approves New SOARA Logo Sign at The Triangle Location*** *(from Mike Love, WB8YKS)*

I just received a call from Chesapeake City Councilman, Randy Penix letting me know that the council met this evening and everyone was in full accord to have the SOARA logo sign mounted at their triangle entrance to Chesapeake.

We will need to schedule a work party in the next few weeks to mount the sign.

Thank you, Jerry Lockhart, W8HTC for discussing the sign with Councilman Penix. This has been a true team effort.

The triangle location lies between Ohio State Route 7 and Lawrence County Road 1 entering Chesapeake from Route 7.

We will also be mounting a SOARA sign in South Point when the road construction project is completed at the intersection of Route 52 and Solida Road. Mayor, Jeff Gaskin N8SDY has already approved the location.

Additional SOARA signs will be mounted in the next few months.

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**Covered Bridges On The Air** – Mike Love, WB8YKS - PIO

Plans are underway for the Southern Ohio Amateur Radio Association’s (SOARA) special event station at the Scotttown Covered Bridge on State Route 217.

This is Lawrence County’s only covered bridge remaining. The event will take place August 18<sup>th</sup>. Additional information will be forthcoming. Please mark August 18 on your calendar to participate!



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**Need Letter “N” Card Sorter for 8<sup>th</sup> District QSL Bureau**

We need a dedicated person to be the sorter the letter “N” for the incoming QSL Bureau. What is a card sorter? Here’s a link to fill you in on all the details. [http://arrl-greatlakes.org/8th\\_bureau.htm](http://arrl-greatlakes.org/8th_bureau.htm)

If after you read the description you feel that you’d be a good fit for the job, and you call sign suffix begins with the litter “N”, then you need to contact: Bureau Manager - Jack Shirley, N8DX E-Mail: [n8dx@arrl.net](mailto:n8dx@arrl.net)

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**Help Wanted**

Are you E.C. caliber? I want to talk to all of you about becoming an Emergency Coordinator (E.C.) in your county. We are extremely fortunate to have a so many dedicated E.C.’s in Ohio. They do their jobs, mostly behind the scenes and without a lot of fan-fare, but it does come with a lot of self-satisfaction for a job well done. Our ARES program is one of the strongest in the country. The statistics that Stan listed a few months back prove that out for sure!





I've talk to many of my counterparts all over the country. I hear them complain about how hard it is to get anyone to step up to the plate now days, and every time I hear these complaints I say a little prayer just to thank my lucky stars we have such a great corps of folks that take their jobs seriously, and with great pride and dedication. And, it is FUN as well! Yes, there is a lot of fun connected with this too.

Now, from time to time we do have openings that need to be filled. In particular, we have openings right now for the following counties:

<b>Allen</b>	<b>Fulton</b>	<b>Henry</b>	<b>Mercer</b>
<b>Paulding</b>	<b>Putnam</b>	<b>Logan</b>	<b>Clermont</b>
<b>Carrol</b>	<b>Athens</b>	<b>Jackson</b>	<b>Meigs</b>
<b>Perry</b>	<b>Belmont</b>	<b>Harrison</b>	<b>Monroe</b>

Do you have what it takes to become an E.C. in the Ohio Section? Unlike many other Sections, we are more than just badge wearers for sure! Yes, we do have high expectations, but we do have a lot of fun too. Got questions about what it takes? Call or write me or Stan.

We will show you that we have the best program in the nation, and one that you'll be proud to serve in!

Want to know what it takes to be an E.C. in Ohio? Here's a link for ya'...

<http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/ARESmanual2015.pdf> Yes, this is a lot of information to absorb and you do have to be an ARRL member, and here in Ohio you are also required to be a Level 2 ARES member before you will be considered for the appointment. Now, is this something that you'd like to do? Let me know. [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com)

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**Need Help!**

**Headwaters Adventure Race on Saturday July 14th**

The Portage County Parks District is holding its annual Headwaters Adventure Race on Saturday July 14th in the Mantua-Hiram area. This is a three event race on foot, bicycle, and in a canoe.

The Parks District has requested our help in providing communications for this event. We can really use the help so if you're available please let me know by June 30th at [rick.kruis@outlook.com](mailto:rick.kruis@outlook.com) If you have no experience at public service events but would still like to participate, please let me know and I can pair you up with an experienced operator.

73, Rick K8CAV

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**Need Help!**

**Hall Of Fame Grand Parade Ham Radio Volunteers,**

Looking for Returning HOF Grand Parade Volunteers and Anyone else who would like to Help this Year **Sat. Aug. 4th** 6:00 AM until around 12:00 Noon all depending where your work Block is Located.

Anyone who already told me they were coming back - Please Reply Anyway.

The Appreciation Dinner is on Friday July 20th @ the same place the Civic Center in Canton a None Volunteer Guest is \$15 Everyone needs to be 21 years or older and have an ID, the Deadline is June 22nd to get tickets. If your New Working the Grand Parade there is training time @ the Perry Library @ Sippo Lake entrance off of 12th Street Tuesday July 17th or Thursday July 19th @ 5:30 PM in the Lower Level. Pick a Date one or the other, Please Let Me Know If you have worked the parade before. Your Attendance isn't necessary.

So Lets Recap:

Please let me know the following: Can you work the Grand Parade? If yes, do you want to go to the Appreciation Dinner? Will you be going to training meeting if so tell me what day Do you own a DMR Radio? Do you have a Analog 2 meter HT?

Looking Forward to Seeing Your Reply. Thank You for Volunteering Again for this Event that is Great for Canton and Brings a lot of Money to the City Business

Here is a Link to the Grand Parade Webpage if you have any questions etc.or Simply Reply to me with questions. <https://www.profootballhoffestival.com/grand-parade>

I need to Know what Holes to Fill, so Please Let Me Know ASAP your Coming Back for a New Vollunteer for the 2018 HOF Grand Parade!

Wade, WD8MIU [wd8miu@gmail.com](mailto:wd8miu@gmail.com) or Cell 330-704-2100

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**Need Help!**



2018 Air Force Marathon. This race will happen on **15 September** this year. We will need 65+ ham volunteers to cover the positions on the course. The race hosts 15,000 runners and uses 2,000 volunteers. Hams can sign up at: <http://www.usafmarathon.com/volunteer/> (just be sure to choose the Ham assignment).

Got Questions? Contact: Phil Verret, KA8ZKR - 2018 USAF Marathon Amateur Radio Lead Volunteer Cell 937-371-3507 or Office 937-255-9983

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**6 METER NETS**

(information provided by Steve, W8TER)



**Wednesdays at 9:00 pm**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month is on 50.400 AM mode.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month is on 52.525 FM mode.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month is on 50.125 USB mode.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month is on 52.525 FM mode.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month is on 52.525 FM mode.

PLEASE JOIN US...on the air

Additional...

**Thursdays at 9pm**

50.255 USB net.

**Six Meter Repeater in Downtown Toledo.**

Transmit 52.110 w/103.5 pl and receive 53.110.

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## *The Ohio Weekly DMR Net Report*

### *July 04 DMR Net*

District 1 – 0	District 5 – 13	District 9 – 5	QNI: 79
District 2 – 4	District 6 – 10	District 10 – 5	
District 3 – 8	District 7 – 12		Time: 46 minutes
District 4 – 6	District 8 – 7	Outside of Ohio – 9	NCS: KC8GEI

The reason for conducting this net every week is to make sure that all of our connections to the now ever-growing list of repeaters throughout the state are working as we want them to be.

Interested in being a net control for this net? Contact Duane, K8MDA at:

[k8mda@arrl.net](mailto:k8mda@arrl.net) It's really easy to do and if you're checking in to the net on a regular basis anyway, you're already there! Please, we need volunteers from all over Ohio to do this net. It is important, and I will guarantee this, it's really FUN!!

Want to take a look at the Preamble to see just how easy it is to run this net, here's the link: <http://arrl-ohio.org/digital/Ohio%20DMR%20Net%20Preamble.pdf>

Check-in every Wednesday evening at 8:30pm local on the DMR - 3139 talk group!

Don't know which ARES District you're in? Click on this link: [http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/district\\_map.htm](http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/district_map.htm) and find your county. You will then see which District you reside in. You can also find a ton of information about DMR and the most popular DMR Nets on the website: <http://arrl-ohio.org/digital/digital.html>

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## *Fun Things To Do, Classes & Hamfests Too*

*(from various newsletters and sources)*

Class Instructors - Don't forget to register your classes with the ARRL. It's easy to do. Make sure that you send me that information too! Just think of all of the extra publicity that you'll get for your classes!



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**Classes starting near you**

**The Original Geeks:** An Introduction to Ham Radio Arts & Sciences 1138.22, First year Seminar  
Fall Semester 2018 **August 21 – October 8** Tuesdays 3:00 to 4:50 pm Room 24 Derby Hall – Ohio State  
University – Columbus Campus



I will be teaching this fall at Ohio State as part of the First Year Seminar series. All incoming first-year (aka freshman) students and transfer students are eligible to register. Please contact me directly if you have any questions. You can contact Larry, K8HTC at: [feth.1@osu.edu](mailto:feth.1@osu.edu) Department of Speech and Hearing Science 110 Pressey Hall, 1070 Carmack Road

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**Incident Command System (ICS) Training Schedule**

All current trainings are listed on the Ohio EMA training calendar located at:  
<https://webeoctraining.dps.ohio.gov/TrainingAndExercise/courselist.aspx>

<b>Name</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Enroll</b>
ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	July 14 - 15	Ashland County EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
OH-101 Developing and Maintaining Emergency Operations Plans (EOP)	26 July	Ohio EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-400 Advanced ICS	July 28 - 29	Ashland County EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	July 30, 31 – Aug 1	Franklin County Sheriff's Academy	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-400 Advanced ICS	August 1 - 2	Franklin County Sheriff's Academy	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	August 8 - 10	Ohio Christian University Business Innovation Center	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	August 14 – 16	Fairfield County EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-400 Advanced ICS	August 16 – 17	Fairfield County EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
L969 Communications Unit Leader (COML)	August 20 - 22	Lucas County EOC	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	August 24 - 26	Hocking College, School of Public Safety	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
L426 Building a Roadmap to Resilience: Whole Community	August 28 - 30	Ohio EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
G775 EOC Management and Operations	September 12 - 13	Newark Police Department	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-400 Advanced ICS	September 15 - 16	Hocking College, School of Public Safety	<a href="#">Enroll</a>

G-402 ICS Overview for Executives and Senior Leaders	September 18	Marietta College - Planetarium	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	September 18 - 20	Franklin County EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
ICS-400 Advanced ICS	September 20-21	Franklin County EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
MGT-347 ICS Forms Review (Afternoon)	September 25(PM)	Franklin County EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>
MGT-347 Incident Command Systems Forms Review (AM Course)	September 25(AM)	Franklin County EMA	<a href="#">Enroll</a>

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[ARRL V.E. Test Sessions](#)



**07/10/2018** | [Lancaster OH 43130-3014](#)  
**Sponsor: Lancaster & Fairfield Cnty ARC**  
 Location: American Red Cross  
 Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/12/2018** | [Milford OH 45150-1427](#)  
**Sponsor: Milford ARC**  
 Location: Faith Church  
 Time: 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/12/2018** | [Stow OH 44224-4097](#)  
**Sponsor:**  
 Location: Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library  
 Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/14/2018** | [Findlay OH 45840](#)  
**Sponsor: Findlay Radio Club**  
 Location: Findlay Radio Clubhouse  
 Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/14/2018** | [Maumee OH 43537-1628](#)  
**Sponsor: Toledo Mobile Radio Assoc**  
 Location: Maumee Fire Station #2  
 Time: 8:15 AM (No walk-ins)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/15/2018** | [Elyria OH 44035-1343](#)  
**Sponsor: American Red Cross**  
 Location: American Red Cross  
 Time: 12:50 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/17/2018** | [Sandusky OH 44870-1926](#)  
**Sponsor: Sandusky, Ohio VE Team**  
 Location: Sandusky Radio Club  
 Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

**07/21/2018** | [Greenville OH 45331-1038](#)  
**Sponsor: Treaty City ARA**  
 Location: Beehive One Room School  
 Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)  
[Learn More](#)

Here's also links to other great V.E. testing sites:

[Laurel V.E. Test Locations](#) & [W5YI V.E. Test Locations](#)

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## Special Events

- **07/27/2018 | Carnation Days Special Event**

**Jul 27-Aug 12, 0000Z-2359Z, W8LKY**, Alliance, OH. Alliance Amateur Radio Club. 14.250 14.045 7.250 7.045. Certificate & QSL. Alliance Amateur Radio club, P.O. Box 3344, Alliance, OH 44601. W8LKY will be on the Air at various times during the special event window. We are celebrating Alliance as the birthplace of the Ohio State Flower; the Scarlet Carnation. Frequencies and modes other than those listed here may be used. QSL / Certificate info can be found on our website. [www.w8lky.org](http://www.w8lky.org)

- **07/29/2018 | Historic Y-bridge**

**Jul 29, 1630Z-2130Z, W8ORA**, Zanesville, OH. Ohio Amateur Radio Club. 7.220 14.300. QSL. Ronnie Phipps, 610 Morgan Rd, Zanesville, OH 43701.

- **08/04/2018 | Port Clinton Lighthouse Festival**

**Aug 4, 1500Z-2100Z, W8GNM/8**, Port Clinton, OH. Port Clinton Lighthouses Conservancy. 21.325 18.155 14.325 7.225. QSL. QSL via , LoTW only to, W8GNM/8. [portclintonlighthouse.org](http://portclintonlighthouse.org)

- **08/09/2018 | Daniel Emmett Days**

**Aug 9-Aug 11, 1600Z-2359Z, K8EEN**, Mount Vernon, OH. Mount Vernon Amateur Radio Club. 21.240 7.080 7.030 3.840. Certificate & QSL. MVARC, PO Box 372, Mount Vernon, OH 43050. [www.qrz.com/db/k8een](http://www.qrz.com/db/k8een) or [www.mvarc.net](http://www.mvarc.net)

- **08/18/2018 | International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend**

**Aug 18-Aug 20, 1500Z-2100Z, W8GNM/8**, Port Clinton, OH. Port Clinton Lighthouses Conservancy. 7.225 14.325 18.155 21.325. QSL. QSL via, LoTW, only . QSL via LoTW only. No paper QSL or certificate [portclintonlighthouse.org](http://portclintonlighthouse.org)

- **08/18/2018 | Lynchburg Covered Bridge Day**

**Aug 18, 1200Z-1600Z, W8N**, Lynchburg, OH. Highland Amateur Radio Association. 14.285 7.235. QSL. Highland ARA, John Levo, W8KIW, 21 Highland Dr., Hillsboro, OH 45133. The only covered bridge joining two Ohio counties. [highlandara@yahoo.com](mailto:highlandara@yahoo.com)

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## Upcoming ARRL Sponsored Hamfests

### **07/21/2018 | GARS Germantown Hamfest**

Location: Germantown, OH  
Sponsor: Germantown Amateur Radio Society (GARS)  
Website: <http://GARSohio.org>



### **07/21/2018 | NOARSFEST**

Location: Elyria, OH  
Sponsor: Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society  
Website: <http://noars.net>

### **07/22/2018 | Van Wert Hamfest**

Location: Van Wert, OH  
Sponsor: Van Wert Amateur Radio Club  
Website: <http://w8fy.org>

**07/29/2018 | Portage Hamfair '18**

Location: Ravenna, OH

Sponsor: Portage Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://hamfair.com>

**08/04/2018 | 2018 Columbus Hamfest / Ohio**

**Section Conference**

Location: Grove City, OH

Sponsor: Voice of Aladdin Amateur Radio Club

Website: <http://columbushamfest.com>

**08/12/2018 | Cuyahoga Falls ARC's 10th Annual Tailgate Hamfest**

Location: Stow, OH

Sponsor: The Cuyahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club

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

**09/09/2018 | Findlay Hamfest**

Location: Findlay, OH

Sponsor: Findlay Radio Club

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

Find all the Ohio Hamfests in one location? Go to: <http://arrl-ohio.org/hamfests.html>

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***Final.. Final..***



Hey Gang...

I finally got my mower back this past week. Wow.. my grass was 14 inches thick in some places and had to be cut twice to even look like I did anything! But, I finally got it cut and back on a schedule now. This past weekend I had a blast at the 20/9 Hamfest. It's always fun getting to talk with all of you and if nothing else.. just get to shake your hand and say "Hey"..

Now, for news of importance!! If you haven't heard by now, we got released to open up the registration process for everyone in Ohio to get registered into the ARES Connect System. I've been watching the "New Volunteer" registrations come in and I have noticed a number of them where the "User Name" wasn't your call sign and it has to be.

I've also noticed folks filling in the "County" with U.S.A... I guess they are just misreading this as country and not county. Please, make sure that you list the county that you live in. This is a biggie that we can't afford to get wrong. Other than that, we still have a few counties to get registered into the database yet, and when that happens we will have the ability to get everyone finished up with the registrations. It is going to take a little time to get this all down where we all feel comfortable with it so please, have a little patience. We'll get there for sure. If you haven't registered yet, now is the time. Go to: <https://arrl.volunteerhub.com/lp/oh/> and get yourself registered now. The changes to the NEW ARES program are dramatic, but they are easily obtainable. You just have to be willing to LEARN a little.

So, how's your training going? Jim and I are still getting some NIMS certificates trickling in, but I know that there are still some of you that still haven't submitted your certificates yet, or thought you did several years ago and you haven't checked to see if you are listed or not. Please, take a couple of minutes the next time you're on the computer and make sure that your name is listed in our database.

We want no one left behind, or not credited for the courses that you have taken. Just go to: <http://arrl-ohio.org/SEC/special/ICS%20Complete%20by%20County%20and%20Name.pdf> and make sure. Just so you know, it's listed by county.

Now, don't forget that your ICS certificates aren't the only things we're looking for either. If you have Basic First Aid, CPR or AED training, it's also very valuable in the field as well. And, don't forget about the newest training out there, "**Stop the Bleed...**" This one is really good, and it's something that you can use no matter where you are. These courses are not only useful for you in the field, but you'd be surprised how they can help you around the house as well. Remember, most accidents happen within 25 miles of you home! And YES, my accident last year happened within that 25-mile radius. You need to be prepared!

Here's the figures as Jim, W8ERW has given them to me... Members in the database – **960**; Active members – **927**; Members NIMS complete -**716**; Total courses logged - **6,667**. These numbers just keep growing. And we want them to continue for sure!

Just as an FYI for you. The ARRL Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for just a couple of weeks from now. The ARES Connect program is one of the main agenda items that they will be addressing that weekend for sure. I look for the Board to unanimously pass the proposals for this program. At that point it will be full steam ahead and no looking back at the past to the way it used to be. This program is vital to our survival with our served agencies, and make no mistake about it, it will bring us into the 21<sup>st</sup> century!

Don't forget, and an enticement to get your certificates to me I'm giving away to the **725th** person, an ARRL ARES Mesh Vest! We are only 9 away from that number! Will you be the person that gets it?

That's going to do it this time around... I'll catch you on down the log for sure, and stay cool my friends!!

Scott, N8SY...

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## *Field Day Pictures*

I've got a bunch of Field Day pictures already posted on the website at: <http://arrl-ohio.org/fd-18/index.php> Some of them are mine, and some have come from all over the place! Who cares where they came from, as long as the show what we did this past weekend!!

Now, I want pictures from those of you who haven't sent me your pictures yet as well!! You know who you are. I will say this (as an enticement) you know the big banner that I display at most hamfests!!! The pictures that are on that banner come from YOU.. that's right, these are your pictures showing what we do best! And, what's better than seeing your pictures displayed for everyone on the website? Seeing them displayed on the Ohio Section Banner!

Please, **let's do like we did last year** and keep this Picture Gallery growing by having you send me all of your Field Day pictures. Send them to: [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com)

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## *Back Issues of the PostScript and Ohio Section Journal (OSJ)*

Hey, did you know that PostScript and Ohio Section Journal (OSJ) are archived on the website? You can go back and look at any edition simply by clicking:  
<http://arrl-ohio.org/news/index.html>



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## *Chit – Chat, and All That!*

Do you know someone that's not getting these Newsletters? Please, forward a copy of this Newsletter over to them and have them "[Opt-In](#)" to start receiving them. Heck, just have them send me an email [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com) and I'll get them added to the Ohio Section Emailing list.



We now have many thousands of readers receiving these newsletters weekly. Quite impressive, I'd say! I urge all of you to make sure that everyone, regardless of whether they are a League member or not, get signed up to receive these weekly Newsletters.



You can always "[Opt-Out](#)" at any time if you feel this is not what you were expecting. It's fun and very informative. All of your favorite past newsletters are now archived too. You can go back at any time and read them. Just go to: <http://arrl-ohio.org/news/>

Got questions, concerns or would just like to sit and chat awhile? Heck, I'll even buy the coffee!! Give me a call at (419) 512-4445 or email me at: [n8sy@n8sy.com](mailto:n8sy@n8sy.com)

The pictures on the front page are from various newsletters, Facebook posts and/or were sent directly to me in recent weeks. Take a good look at them, you just might be in one of the pictures! "SMILE... you're on the Ohio Section News!!"



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