

JUNE 2013

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The month of June. School gets out, vacation season starts, Flag Day, weddings and I retire!!! I am looking forward to that! I feel like I have lots to do, so we will see how that goes. Can't spend all my retirement money in the first year. I am looking forward to it, but will miss all the people I deal with and work with. Just will have to spend more time on the radio and make some new acquaintances' and friends.

Hey, how about the low HF bands, wow they really stink lately. Sure do appreciate the people on the Net who stick with us and make the net work. Also appreciate the relays from others to help out the Net Control stations. Hang in there, better propagation will arrive.

Was nice to see everyone in Cadillac and hope to more of you in August in Escanaba. Some pictures from the U. P. Net meeting are in the newsletter and I want to thank Tony, KC8NUR taking the pictures and sending them to me so we could share them with everyone. Take care, enjoy summer and see you on the radio.

NET STATS 2012 APRIL CHECKINS 1200 TRAFFIC 63 2013 APRIL CHECKINS 1277 TRAFFIC 50 APRIL HIGH CHECKINS WB8VOF 39 WA8DHB 40 APRIL HIGH TRAFFIC N8BNC 2 WB8VOF 2 UPPER PENINSULA NET WEBSITE www. michupnet.com

# June 2013 BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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						AA8SN & RON
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
						W8NSH & MARSHA
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
					WD8OSE TONY	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	N8NJA BILL		LEE ANNE XYL OF WD8DCA		PETER SON OF AA8SN	N8HBZ & LILA
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		WA8LT & SHIRLEY	W8CBH BILL	W8ILS RON		
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## THE GANG CADILLAC SWAP MAY 4TH 2013

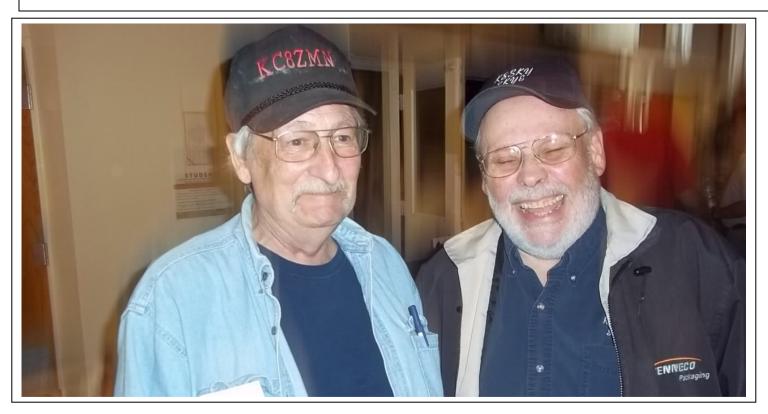


### JIM N8GWN AND DOUG WB8VOF

## MORE PICTURES FROM CADILLAC



## MARY, WB8LZA AND DAVE, W8DW



CHRIS, KC8ZMN AND SKYE, K8SKY

## U. P. NET MEMBER PROFILE W8JNL, JIM LOVE GLADSTONE MI

I was born in Coldwater MI, on September 10, 1946. I graduated from Manistique High School in 1964. In 1969 I received a Bachelor's of Arts degree from Northern Michigan University with a major in Biology and a minor in Conservation.

My Dad worked for General Telephone Co., so I lived in Coldwater, Williamston, Grand Ledge, Manistique, Marquette, and Gladstone.

I retired from Mead Westvaco Corporation in March of 2005 after almost 32 years in the paper industry. Before that I worked as a branch manager for Lynn Auto parts in Manistique.

I married Mary K Bonifas on September 9, 1972 in Manistique. Mary is a retired LPN. We have two daughters. Dawn is a RN in Green Bay, and is a nursing supervisor and emergency room nurse at St. Mary's Hospital. Jacqueline is a grad of Northern Michigan University who has worked 13 years for Adult Learning Systems as a manager of a home for patients with mental problems. Jacque has recently moved home and is enrolled in Bay de Nocs's nursing program to become an RN.

I first got interested in radio putting together a few radio kits with my Dad in the late 50's and early 60's. I didn't get back into radios until the mid 70's when I went to work for Mead Corporation. We used commercials radios to dispatch our pulpwood truck fleet and to contact the various timber producers who worked for us. In 1999, Howard St. John, W8HSJ, and I started to work on the same job and Howard got me interested in Ham Radio. In 2008, after I retired, I passed my Tech in April and my General in July.

My rig is an Icom 756 PRO with matching power supply and a SM 20 microphone. I recently purchased a used Ameritron AL-80A amplifier and just purchased a MFJ 989D Versa TurnerV. I have a 48 foot Rohn tower with a Hy-Gain TH-3MK4 Tri band beam for 20/15/10. I also have a Hy-Gain VB-25FM 2 meter 5 element beam, an Alpha Delta DXLB shortened multi-band dipole for 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10, and a Radio Wavz OCF Dipole DX-80. My 2 meter rig in the shack is a Yaesu FT2900 with a MFJ4245MV power supply and a J pole. In the car there is a Yaesu FT2800 with a 5/8 wave antenna.

Other hobbies include wood working, photography, reading, and listening to musice.

- 06/06/2013 | <u>Mason MI 48854</u> **Sponsor:** Ingham County VE Group Location: Ingham County Sheriff's Dept **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/08/2013 | <u>Ann Arbor MI 48108-1516</u> Sponsor: ARROW Communications Assoc. Location: American Red Cross Building Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/08/2013 | <u>Charlotte MI 48813-1031</u> Sponsor: Eaton County ARC Location: Eaton Cty Sheriff's Dept-EOC Time: 12:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/08/2013 | <u>Newberry MI 49868-9999</u> Sponsor: Luce ARS Location: Pentland Township Hall Time: 2:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/08/2013 | Port Huron MI 48060-4014 **Sponsor:** Eastern Michigan ARC **Location:** St Clair County Library **Time:** 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/14/2013 | <u>Grand Rapids MI 49503-1304</u> **Sponsor:** Grand Rapids ARA Location: Red Cross Building Time: 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/15/2013 | <u>Flint MI 48507</u> Sponsor: The KT8Q & W8ACW VE Teams Location: Baker College of Flint-Tech Center Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/15/2013 | <u>Ionia MI 48846-8512</u> Sponsor: ICARPSC Location: Ionia Central Dispatch Time: 6:00 PM (No walk-ins)
- 06/15/2013 | <u>Jackson MI 49204-9999</u> **Sponsor:** Cascades ARS Location: Jackson District Library **Time:** 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/15/2013 | <u>Midland MI 48640-4474</u> **Sponsor:** Midland ARC Location: Salvation Army Building **Time:** 11:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/15/2013 | <u>South Lyon MI 48178</u> **Sponsor:** South Lyon Area ARC **Location:** Witch's Hat Depot **Time:** 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/19/2013 | <u>Prescott MI 48756-9108</u> **Sponsor:** Prescott Testing Group **Location:** Mills Township Hall **Time:** 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/22/2013 | <u>Garden City MI 48135-2818</u> **Sponsor:** Garden City ARC **Location:** Garden City Presbyterian Church **Time:** 4:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
- 06/22/2013 | <u>Rockwood MI 48173-1241</u> Sponsor: Motor City Radio Club Location: Deland G Mercure Memorial Park Time: 10:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)

 06/27/2013 | <u>Battle Creek MI 49017-4867</u> Sponsor: SMARS Location: Maple United Methodist Church Time: 7:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

07/11/2013 | <u>Grand Rapids MI 49503-1304</u> **Sponsor:** Grand Rapids ARA **Location:** Red Cross Building **Time:** 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

#### • Hamfest/Convention

**06/08/2013** | <u>**3rd Annual LARS Hamfest</u> Location: <b>Newberry, MI** Type: **ARRL Hamfest** Sponsor: **Luce Amateur Radio Society** Website: <u>http://www.w8nby.com</u></u>

 06/15/2013 | <u>Midland Hamfest</u> Location: Midland, MI Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Midland Amateur Radio Club Website: <u>http://w8kea.org</u>

06/16/2013 | <u>Monroe Hamfest</u> Location: Monroe, MI Type: ARRL Hamfest Sponsor: Monroe County Radio Communications Association Website: http://www.mcrca.org

--- Ole won a fishing boat in a raffle drawing in a small upstate Minnesota town.

He brought it home and Lena looks at him and says, "Vot da heck you gonna do vit dat. Dere ain't no water deep enough ta float a boat widin 50 miles uv here."

Ole says, "I vun it and I'ma gonna keep it."

Sven came over to visit several days later. He sees Lena and asks where Ole is.

She says, "He's out dere in his fishin boat," pointing to the field behind the house.

Sven heads out behind the house and sees his brother sitting in a fishing boat with a fishing rod in his hand down in the middle of a big field.

He yells out to him, "Vot da heck are you doing out dere?"

Ole replies, "I'm a fishin'. Vot da heck duz it look like I'm a doing?"

Sven yells back, "It's a people like you that give people from Norvay a bad name; make everybody tink we are stoopid. If I cud svim, I'd come out dere and kick yor ass!

## THANKS TO THOSE WHO ATTENDED THE MEETING IN CADILLAC

W8WR LARRY	K8SKY SKYE	WD8LVZ DAVE
W8NEV KEN	W8GEP GRANT	N8RRI JOHN
N8QEN DOUG	WA8KJR GORDIE	KC8ZMN CHRIS
KF8QW NORM	W8DW DAVE	MARY WB8LZA
KC8TU RICK & CORKY	WB8VOF DOUG	WD8DCA LEO & LEE ANNE
K8DSS ED	N8GWN JIM	KC8QII ANNETTE
KC8NVI CLIFF	WG8W ROD	KC8NUR TONY



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