

# The Ragchewer

June 2011

The monthly newsletter of the Lancaster & Fairfield County Amateur Radio Club  
On the Web: [www.k8qik.org](http://www.k8qik.org)

## ***Club Meetings :***

1st Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM at the clubhouse.

## ***VE Testing:***

Every even numbered month. See ARRL.ORG for date. Register and testing at 10:00 am

## ***Clubhouse Location:***

Near Lancaster on State Route 37 North (Granville Pike) next to Beavers Field. Across from campus Ohio University-Lancaster

## ***Nets:***

**Mondays** at 9:00 p.m. 147.03 MHz (+.6) 146.70 MHz (-.6) Alt. Freq. 443.875 MHz (+5)

**Sunday** at 8:00 p.m. 443.875 MHz (+5) UHF linked system

Packet BBS 145.53MHz K8QIK-1 BBS K8QIK-2: Ohio53

## ***Weather Spotter Net:***

2010-2011 Officers

<b><i>President</i></b>	George Lambert, KB8USP
<b><i>Vice President:</i></b>	Robert Ruffner, KD8DXC
<b><i>Treasurer:</i></b>	Ed Campbell Sr., WD8PGO
<b><i>Secretary:</i></b>	Mary Travis, KD8EEI
<b><i>Trustee:</i></b>	John Hilliard, W8OF
<b><i>Station Engineer:</i></b>	John Hilliard, W8OF
<b><i>Education:</i></b>	Allen Sellers, KB8JLG
<b><i>Activities Manager:</i></b>	Sandy Snider, KD8FTX
<b><i>Public Relations:</i></b>	Mark Urbine, KC8TUW
<b><i>Flower Fund:</i></b>	Ed Bennett, KD8EEJ
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## Thursday Night Radio Night

Radio night is every Thursday at 6:00 p.m. (except the first Thursday which is the club monthly meeting). Work a little HF, maybe build something? How about a hot cup of coffee. We'll have them all waiting for you.

## ARRL Membership

When you join the ARRL, or renew your membership through the club, we retain \$15 for each new membership OR lapsed membership (of two years or more), and we retain \$2 for each renewal. Please support our club, it doesn't cost any more. Send or give all paperwork to Treasurer with your money.

## 2011 VE Test:

Tests are even months at the clubhouse on Route 37. The next test has not been scheduled. Call Allen KB8JLG (740) 654 – 8167 for details.

## Free Swap and Sell

If you have anything ham radio related, you can swap it or sell it here. List your items for free. Give a price and how to contact you. Send the list to [Webmaster@K8QIK.ORG](mailto:Webmaster@K8QIK.ORG) or Ragchewer Editor at [ASELLERS1081@att.NET](mailto:ASELLERS1081@att.NET)

Dave K8KEG (now SK) has a Heath HW-8 in excellent condition. Contact Allen Sellers (740) 654 – 8167

## June 2, 2011 Meeting Minutes

At 7:25 p.m. the monthly meeting was called to order by President, George Lambert, KB8USP who lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 22 members present.

### Officer Reports

#### **Secretary Report: Mary Travis, KD8EEI**

Minutes for the May meeting was posted in the Ragchewer. Motion to accept minutes with change to Michael (N8ABE) and Cheryl (N8RZB) Rieser's calls made by Steve, KD8JLA and seconded by John, KD8PAF. Motion carried.

#### **Treasurer's Report: Ed Campbell, Sr., WD8PGO**

Ed gave the May treasurer's report and Ray, W8FLX made motion to approve, seconded by Michael, WD8EBD. All in favor.

#### **VP Report: Rob Ruffner, KD8DXC**

Rob reported that he and Steve, KD8JLA will have a planning meeting for field day on June 16th at the clubhouse around 7 p.m. Anyone wishing to help with field day please plan to attend this meeting.

#### **Trustee Report: John Hilliard, W8OF**

No report.

### Committee Reports

#### **Webmaster: Carol Dolske**

Nothing to report.

**Chairman Educational Committee: Allen Sellers, KB8JLG**

No report.

#### **Monday Night Net**

June 6th W8AGS, John Lawson

June 13th KD8DXC, Rob Ruffner

June 20th KD8PAF, John Rader

June 27th K9ULO, John Dolske

July 4th No net

#### **Ragchewer: Allen Sellers, KB8JLG**

No report.

#### **Emergency Coordinator: Ed Campbell, WD8PGO**

Ed reported there will be no ARES meetings during the summer months. The meetings will resume after Labor Day.

Ed asked for volunteers for the June 11th Arthritis Walk. Ed, KD8EEJ, George, KB8USP, Michael, WD8EBS, Rob, KD8DXC volunteered. Mary will send email asking for more volunteers. Ed needs at least 8 people.

Ed asked for volunteers for the bicycle Tour de Cause which will be held on July 16th. He will need 10-11 people. Mary will send an email asking for volunteers to contact Ed if they can help.

Ed also asked for anyone wishing to work the Lancaster Festival (July 23, 27 and 30th) to let him know so he can get all areas covered.

**Safety: Scott Snoke, WD8IXO**

No report.

**Station Engineer: John Hilliard, W8OF**

No report.

**Activities Co-Managers: Sandy Snider, KD8FTX and Connie Snoke, N8LPC**

Sandy & Connie had a flyer they passed out to members for Field Day. .

**Flower Fund: Ed Bennett, KD8EEJ**

Ed reported that we took in \$10.00, and Charlie, N8KZN won \$5.00

Ed also reported there was no winner of the 50-50 fund.

**Old Business:**

Charlie, N8KZN reported that the antenna check at the firehouses will take place Saturday, June 4th at 8:30 a.m. He needs a few more volunteers to cover all the firehouses. John, KD8PAF; Ray, W8FLX and Rob KD8DXC volunteered to help.

George reminded all members who attend radio night to make sure they make a donation. In order to continue to provide meat for radio night, Charlie needs to break even.

George asked Robert, KC8PSW to explain the three bids he had submitted for the handicap entrance to the building. (One is \$3,700 which includes excavating and making room for three parking spaces at the side of the building; second one is \$1,800 which would be to make the interior handicap compliant; and the third was \$400 which would be to install some steps for easier access from the parking lot). After much discussion it was decided to wait until next meeting after Ed, WD8PGO has a chance to run the \$400 estimate by the County for their approval. Ed will report back his findings at the next meeting.

Mark, KD8IMT asked if we want to try having an Elmer program. There was much discussion and it was left that Mary will provide Mark with a membership list and he could contact the members to

see if they have a particular area that they would be willing to help new members who are trying to learn more a

**New Business:**

Ray, W8FLX made a motion to provide Activities Co-Managers with up to \$150 to purchase meat, rolls and condiments needed for Field Day. Seconded by John, KD8PAF. All in favor

George asked for a show of hands for approval of Michael and Cheryl Rieser as new members. All in favor.

Charlie, N8KZN asked for volunteers for the July 4th parade. The following people volunteered: Mary, KD8EEI; Ray, W8FLX; Rob, KD8DXC; David, WB9PXH; Ed, KD8EEJ and Charlie, N8KZN and Connie, N8PLC. John, K9ULO and possibly Dave, WD8AOL will have vehicles in the parade. Mary will send an email to see if there are any other volunteers for the parade.

Mary, KD8EEI reported that our last quarterly check for Krogers will be \$341.33 which brings the total for the 2010-2011 year to \$1,174.93. Mary will send another reminder to members to sign up since this program only requires the shopper to sign up for this program on the computer. Even if you signed up last year, you must sign up again for this years program. The Kroger community rewards program does not interfere with any of the other programs such as discount on gas, etc.

Ray, W8FLX made a suggestion that we might try to see if we could start a radio club at Olivedale. Ray will check and see if this could be started without paying a fee to Olivedale. Several of our members are also Olivedale members. Ray thought this might be an area where we could get the word out about ham radio.

Ray, W8FLX made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Jack, AE8P. Meeting adjourned at 8:41p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Travis, KD8EEI, Secretary