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Sunshine and Sick

Frank Fitzhugh (KD8KJ) after being in a hospital, a nursing home and then back into the hospital is finally back at home and so glad to be there. He still has to wear that foot brace and will for a while yet.

Shirley Van Slykes had eye surgery and thought everything was going good, until

she saw her Doctor, which informed her that the surgery didn't take. The Doctor said of all the surgeries he's done, only 4 had to have it over again. Just Shirley luck, our prayers are with her.

Dennis (KC8LMC) had eye surgery on a detached retina on 1/18/08. It was a series of two surgeries.

The second surgery was on 3/6/08. He said everything seems to be going fine.

His mother fell and broke her hip on 3/3/08.

She is recovering at Shephard of the Valley Nursing Home. Her husband Dick

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Skywarn Training

The 2008 Severe Weather Spotter Training Meeting was held on Tuesday March 18th. and it was well attended even with it being held at a new location

Attendance was around 90 people, mostly from Trumbull County, with several new spotters

signing up this year.

Gary Garnet showed everyone about the new polygon warnings system and passed out an informational paper with links and other important information leaflet..

[see pages 4 and 5 for a copy of the leaflet]

If you missed our training session you can check out the following web site for other locations:

<http://www.erh.noaa.gov/cle/skywarn/training/spottran.html>




Schedule of Events

- **April 1st...WARA Meeting**, First United Methodist Church ... 7:30 pm
- April 5th...Breakfast, Wayside Restaurant... 9 AM
- April 7th... Brunch.. West Farmington Senior Center 10:30 AM
- April 14th ...Brunch.. West. Farmington Senior Center 10:30 AM
- **April 15th... WARA Meeting** , First United Methodist Church... 7:30 Pm
- April 19th ...Breakfast, Wayside Restaurant... 9 AM
- April 21st...Brunch.. West Farmington Senior Center 10:30 AM
- **April 22nd... Earth Day**
- April 28th...Brunch.. West Farmington Senior Center 10:30 AM

April 2008

Please check schedule for
Dates and times!!!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 WARA Meeting	2 KB8OVA	3	4	5 Breakfast
6	7 Brunch	8	9 KC8YHJ	10	11	12
13	14 Brunch	15 WARA Meeting	16 KD8FVI	17	18	19 Breakfast
20	21 Brunch	22 	23 KC8RAL	24	25	26
27	28 Brunch	29	30 KB8OVA			

WARA's 2 M net every Wednesday night on 146.970 at 9pm



Reminder!

If you have not paid your 2008 dues please do so ASAP. See our treasurer or

Send check or money order to ;

WARA

P.O. Box 809

Warren, Ohio

Member's Birthday

It is time again to wish everyone of our special birthday members a very Happy Birthday.

4/16... Assoc. Eileen Gabele

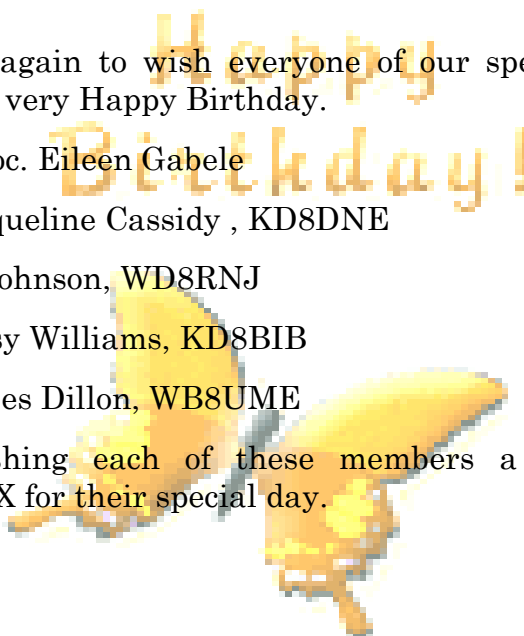
4/26... Jacqueline Cassidy , KD8DNE

4/27... Al Johnson, WD8RNJ

4/28... Betsy Williams, KD8BIB

4/30... James Dillon, WB8UME

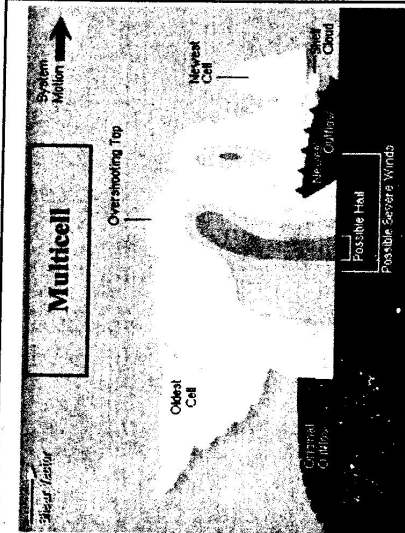
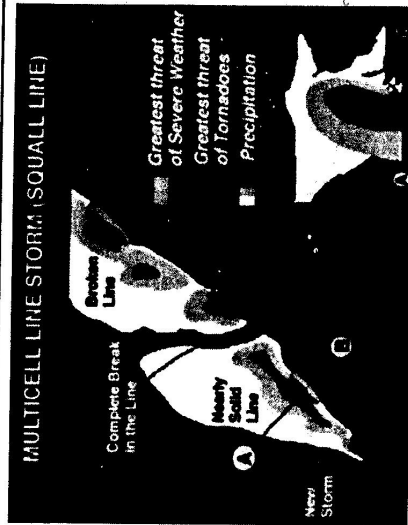
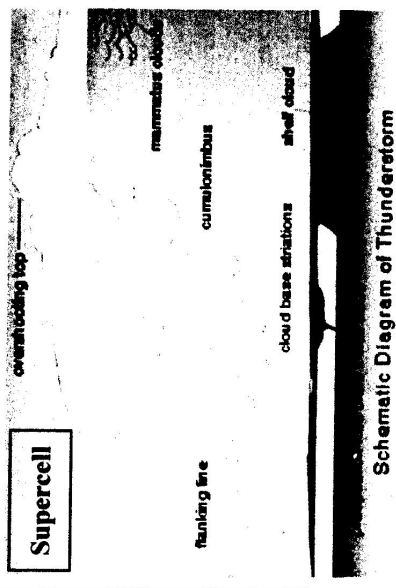
Here's wishing each of these members a hearty ARL FORTH SIX for their special day.



Spotter Reference Sheet

National Weather Service - Cleveland OH
<http://espotter.weather.gov>
www.weather.gov/cle

1-800-262-9683



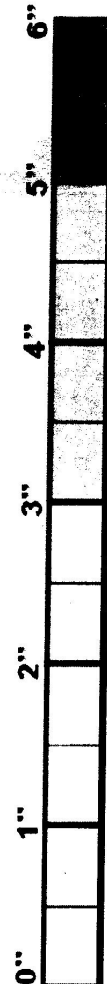
Things to Remember:

- The schematics above depict the classic looking supercells, multicells and squall lines. Not all thunderstorms will look like this!
- When observing a suspicious lowering, be sure to look for persistent and organized rotation when determining if it is a tornado threat. Thunderstorms will often have lowering that do not rotate called scud clouds. These are often confused for funnels.
- Remember our warning criteria. **Severe Thunderstorm** is **3/4" hail and 58 mph or greater winds**.
- Shelf Clouds occur on the storm front and can indicate damaging winds. Wall Clouds form in the back of a storm and can mean a possible tornado.

Wind Speed Estimates	
25-31 MPH	Large branches in motion, whistling in overhead wires.
32-38 MPH	Whole trees are in motion, walking into the wind becomes difficult.
39-54 MPH	Twigs and small, thin branches break off, a few larger dead or weak branches may break off.
55-73 MPH	Large limbs break and shallow rooted trees are pushed over; damage to antennae; a few awnings and shingles may be blown off houses; mobile homes, billboard signs and carports may sustain some minor damage.
74-89 MPH	Widespread tree damage either broken or uprooted; mobile homes and carports will sustain more significant damage - mobile homes may be overturned; some roof damage to buildings; weak structures (outbuildings) may be severely damaged.
>90 MPH	Croves of trees flattened; mobile homes severely damaged, pushed off their foundations or overturned; roof damage is more substantial, parts of the roof may be peeled off; Bams and sheds severely damaged or destroyed.

Hail Size Estimates	
0.75" - Penny	0.88" - Nickel
1.00" - Quarter	1.25" - Half Dollar
1.50" - Ping Pong Ball	1.75" - Golfball
2.00" - Hen Egg/Lime	2.50" - Tennis Ball
2.75" - Baseball	3.00" - Large Apple
4.00" - Grapefruit	4.50" - Softball

Hail Ruler (to scale)





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WHAT TO REPORT:

1. Tornado, Funnel Cloud, Waterspout or Wall Cloud
2. Large Hail (1/2 inch or greater...be specific on size).
3. Wind Damage or winds measured/estimated at 50 mph or more.
4. Flooding (stream out of bank, dam failure, ice jam flooding or more than 1 foot of water in streets).
5. Heavy Rain (1 inch or more) or Heavy Snow
6. Death or Serious Injury caused by any weather event

TO REPORT: Identify yourself as a Skywarn spotter.

Provide your name, location, a brief description of the severe weather, any damage and the time it occurred.

Reporting Methods:

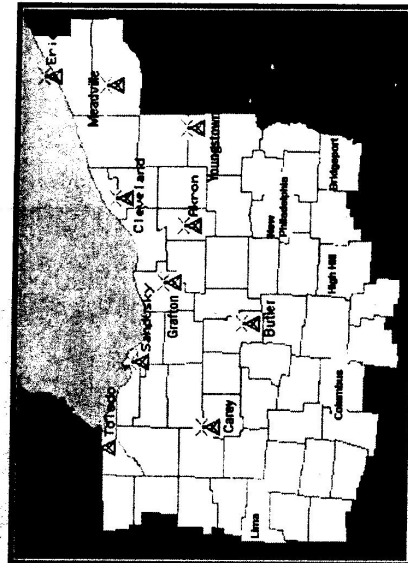
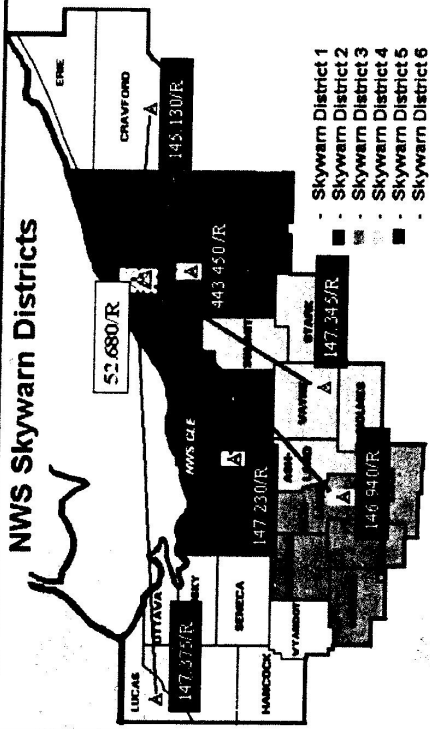
1. Amateur Radio (Local Nets, District Nets, Backbone (closed))
2. Telephone (1-800-262-9683)
3. Spotter Internet Reporting (<http://eSpotter.weather.gov>)

Useful Web Sites

NWS Cleveland
eSpotter www.weather.gov/cle
Storm Prediction Center (SPC) spotter.weather.gov
National Web Site www.spc.noaa.gov
Ohio River Forecaster Center (OHRFC) www.weather.gov
Hydrometeorological Prediction Center www.erh.noaa.gov/ohrfc
NOAA Weather Radio www.hpc.ncep.noaa.gov
NWS Publications www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr
Wind Chill Chart www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures.shtml
Heat Index Chart www.nws.noaa.gov/om/windchill/index.shtml
National Climate Center www.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/heat.htm
www.ncdc.noaa.gov

Amateur Radio Operations

NWS Skywarn Districts



Station	Call Sign	Frequency
Akron OH	KDQ-94	162.400 MHz
Bridgeport OH	VWVF-35	162.525 MHz
Carey OH	KZZ-47	162.525 MHz
Cleveland OH	KHR-59	162.550 MHz
Columbus OH	KVJ-85	162.550 MHz
Erie PA	KEC-58	162.400 MHz
Grafton OH	WVG-68	162.500 MHz
High Hill OH	WVJ-47	162.475 MHz
Lima OH	WVJ-93	162.400 MHz
Mansfield OH	VWVS-57	162.450 MHz
Meadow PA	KZZ-32	162.475 MHz
New Philadelphia, OH	VWNG-735	162.425 MHz
Sandusky OH	KHR-07	162.400 MHz
Toledo OH	WXL-51	162.500 MHz
Youngstown OH	VWVG-56	162.500 MHz

NOAA Weather Radio Locations



Paper Chase

As I dig out from under the snow, here is an award that will make you think warm:

THE ARUBA AWARD

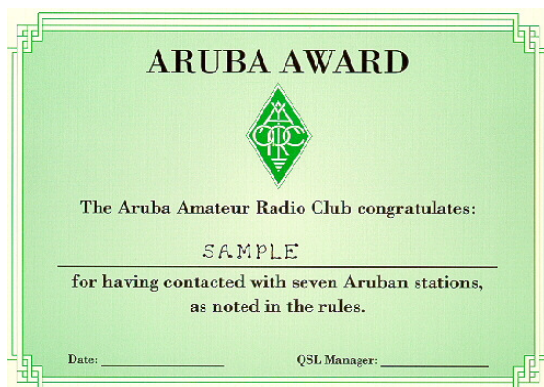
At present the only award available through Aruba ARC is the Aruba Award: Work at least seven (7) differ-

ent P4 stations of which at least 5 must be P43's; any band any mode. The other two stations may be special prefixes (e.g. P40, P49, /P4 etc.) Each call sign counts only once, regardless of band or mode. SWL's are welcome to submit as well.

Send a list of these 7 different call signs plus US\$5 (or 8 irc's) to the address below:

A A R C - A w a r d
P . O . B o x 2 2 7 3
S a n N i c o l a s , A r u b a

Keep warm,
Joe
W8KNO



The following special call signs belong to residents, and thus count as a P43's: P41A, P41E, P40B, P40HQ, and P41HQ.

Sunshine and Sick

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(W8TWO) is staying there also. The bad part was the cat that was given too them was the cause. Any body who ever has had a cat knows that they love to walk between your feet. Well that's what caused her to loose her balance and fall. Even though they loved the cat, they had to find it a new home. The cat will be missed.

SHERMAN, KC8YHJ

BARRY, KD8EIT



Editor's Notes

Articles are due for the May issue on or before April 23rd. I would like to thank everyone that has contribute for this issue .

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Trivia Question:

In what year, was the first amateur radio club formed?

1. 1909
2. 1910
3. 1912
4. 1914

Trivia from
www.qrz.com



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