MARC Meeting April 4th 2024

Dennis N8ERF brought the meeting to order at 7:31pm with 16 members present and 1 member online. Introductions were made and a sign-in sheet was passed around.

Presentation- Paul Morabito K8PLM Paul titled his presentation 'My Ham Journey'. Paul gave an excellent account of his journey into the Amateur Radio hobby, including how he selected his equipment, built his antennas and learned many different modes of operation.

Club Business- Dennis N8ERF- A motion was made by Dennis to approve March meeting minutes and seconded by Lee KC8ITI. Passed.

Treasurer's report- John W8QN- Thank-you to all those members who have renewed their licenses. John also explained the club's insurance and answered questions.

Repeater Update- John W8QN- Not too many changes have been made. The D-Star repeater is not connected at this time.

Swap- Keith KB8SOE- Get the word out that there is a swap at the Salvation Army on June 15th. Let Keith know if you can help or if you would like a table.

Thank-you- Keith KB8SOE- Thank-You from the search and rescue people for the testing session given by the VE's. Search and Rescue is always looking for volunteers, and is especially in need of NET Control operators.

EC/RO Report- Jack K8GTG- On May third there is a table top exercise. Flood and mitigation emergency plans will be discussed. Rick KD0RMK is the new Emergency Coordinator for Midland County. Congratulations Rick.

A motion on the floor was made by Dennis N8ERF to not have a meeting in July because our meeting is on the Fourth of July. Lee KC8ITI seconded, passed.

School Clubs- Dennis N8ERF- Dennis gave an interesting presentation about their high- altitude balloon launches, with pictures and stories.

Chris KB8UIH is looking for volunteers to help out with the Midland MS Walk on the morning of Saturday April 27th.

Saginaw Club – Mike KD8MMH- Mike asked for volunteers to help out with the Frankenmuth MS walk on Saturday, May 11^{th} . Help is needed because it is the largest in the state, food is served afterward.

Engineer's day- Louie N8LOU- Louie told about Engineer's Day at the Soo Locks on June 28th.

NET- Ric KD0RMK - Ric reminded members about the Thursday night NET starting at 7:30 pm.

Larry N8CGP made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Paul K8PLM. The meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Linda KC8MUD