University of Michigan Amateur Radio Club

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Notable Individuals with Links to the University of Michigan

John Kraus (W8JK), W8AXZ Club Treasurer
Hiram Percy Maxim (W1AW), Created the ARRL following the Great Floods of 1913
John Reinartz (1QP), aided in the development of the Greenland Expedition receiving equipment
Anthony "Tony" England (W0ORE), 1st astronaut to use SSTV from space
Irvin Hoff, (K8DKC) designed the FSK Demodulator
Vic Poor (W5SMM), co-developer of the Intel 8008 & AMTOR, PACTOR, WINLINK
Richard Davidson (K9RD) Herb Brier Award 2005
Dudley Nichols (8IM), Great Floods of 1913 (Academy Award Winner; 1936)

Jack Burchfield, (K4JU), Co-Founder of TenTec Corp.
Albert Kahn (K4FW), Co-Founder of TenTec & Electro Voice
E. King Stodola (W2AXO) Pioneer in Earth-Moon-Earth Signals
Wes Schum, (W9DYV), Central Electronics
Jonathan Schmidt (W8BZB) co-developer of the Intel 8008
Joseph Hertzberg (8CYI) RCA Corporation
Mark Harrington, Founder, American Meteorological Journal (1884)
Chief, U.S. Weather Bureau (1891)

Cleveland Abbe, inaugurated a system of telegraphic weather reporting (1869)
1st Director of the National Weather Service
"America's First Weatherman"
Established the four U.S. Time Zones

Amos E. Dolbear: (undergraduate and honorary doctorate degrees)
1876 patent for the "magneto-electric telephone"
1879 patent for the "static telephone"
1885 patent for a "wireless telegraphy system"

Samuel F. B. Morse, awarded 1st Place for his telephone (1876 Philadelphia Exposition) by UM Professor James C. Watson & later aided by UM President Tappan in obtaining his Telegraph Patent (1868 My Dear Julie letter)

Alexander G. Bell, awarded 1st Place for his telephone (1876 Philadelphia Exposition) by UM Professor James C. Watson

University of Michigan Telegraphy "Silent" Movie Links:

1926 Greenland Expedition https://bentley.mivideo.it.umich.edu/media/1_97jnbxsd

1957 W8WHZ Radio Class **Google:** 1957 University High Radio Class **to view**

University of Michigan Station Trustee's & Associated Callsigns

1860	The Detroit Observatory (Franz Brunnow & Cleveland Abbe)
1898	The Department of Physics (R. D. Parker, Augustus Trowbridge & Karl Guethe)
1913	Felix J. Watts (8XA)
1919	Porter H. Evans (8AXZ)
1935	Merton G. Wellington (W8AXZ)
1939	Major Robert N. Kunz (W8AXZ)
1947	Jack Kline (W8AXZ)
1947	Major Vollrath, Dept of Military Science & Tactics (WU9 / W8AXZ)
1946	University of Michigan Radio Club (W8ZUP)
1946	West Quad Radio Club (W8ZSQ)
1955	South Quad Radio Club (W8PGW)
1957	University High School (W8EHZ)
1957	East Quad Radio Club (K8GRE)
1962	University of Michigan (K8TIG)
1974	Richard K. Brown (W8AXZ)
1975	Engineering Department (W8LVN)
1977	James Phillips (W8UM)
1978	John Ackerman (W8UM)
1985	Mark Travaglini (W8UM)
2019	Michael Fluegemann (W8AXZ)

8XA	Experimental License (1913)
WU9	Signal Corps
8AXZ & NU8AXZ	Signal Corps
8BEK & NU8BEK	R. O. T. C.
1XL	1st Greenland Expedition (1926)
NX1XL	2nd Greenland Expedition
W8AXZ	University of Michigan
W8AXH	(possible mis-type in the Michigan Daily)
W7KDZ	Camp Davis Station, Wyoming
W8ZUP	University Radio Club
W8ZSQ	West Quad Dormitory Club
ZS4BL	Lamont-Hussey Observatory, South Africa
K8GRE	East Quad Dormitory Club
W8PGW	South Quad Dormitory Club
K8TIG	Electrical Engineering Department
W8LVN	Engineering Department
W8EHZ	University High School
W8UM	University of Michigan ARC
W8AXZ	re-assigned; University of Michigan ARC

Chief Radio Operators / Club Presidents

1860	The Detroit Observatory	Professors Franz Brunnow & Cleveland Abbe
1898	Department of Physics	Professors R. D. Parker, Augustus Trowbridge & Karl Guethe

1913	8XA	B. N. Burglund
1915	8XA	D. A. Nichols 8IM
1917	**WWI**	**War imposed inactive**
1919	W8AXZ	UNKNOWN
1921	W8AXZ	Franklin Johnston
1923	W8AXZ	UNKNOWN
1925	W8AXZ	Franklin Johnson
1927	W8AXZ	UNKNOWN
1929	W8AXZ	Walter Nelson
1931	W8AXZ	Fred Albertson W8DOE
1933	W8AXZ	Elton Wenzel W8BJP
1935	W8AXZ	Benjamin (Ben) Bailey
1937	W8AXZ	Albert Stroherer
1939	W8AXZ	Roden Rogers W8EPC
1941	**World War II**	**Club Inactive**
1943	**World War II**	**Club Inactive**
1945	**World War II**	**Club Inactive**
1946	W8ZSQ	Ward Cornelius
1947	W8ZSQ	Bruce Weinert
1948	W8ZSQ	Corky Eberwein
1950	W8ZSQ	Keith Heiss
1952	W8ZSQ	Leonard Holder
1954	W8PGW	Marshall Batt W8FBV
1955	W8PGW	Barry MacRae
1957	K8GRE	UNKNOWN
1959	K8GRE	UNKNOWN
1961	Inactive	UNKNOWN
1964	K8TIG	Tom Russell
1966	W8UM	Thomas Russell W8FAW
1968	W8UM	Gary Chatters WA9ZZZ
1970	W8UM	UNKNOWN
1971	W8UM	Patrick Barkey N9RV
1973	W8UM	Lawrence Koziel K8MU
1975	W8UM	Patrick Barkey WA8YVR / N9RV
1977	W8UM	David Turner
1979	W8UM	John Ackerman N8UR
1981	W8UM	Mark Travaglini WD8DPA
1983	W8UM	Gordon Good KC8ES
1985	W8UM	Steve Sponseller N8DKJ

1914	8XA	D. A. Nichols 8IM
1916	8XA	UNKNOWN
1918	**WWI**	**War imposed inactive**
1920	W8AXZ	Franklin Johnston
1922	W8AXZ	Franklin Johnston
1924	W8AXZ	UNKNOWN
1926	W8AXZ	Robert Swain
1928	W8AXZ	Ellis B. Merry, W8KI
1930	W8AXZ	Fred C. Everett W8AEZ
1932	W8AXZ	C. W. Adams W8AOS
1934	W8AXZ	Benjamin (Ben) Bailey
1936	W8AXZ	Robert Austin W8DVB
1938	W8AXZ	Kenneth Levin W8OMI
1940	W8AXZ	R.K. Brown W8GSZ
1942	**World War II**	**Club Inactive**
1944	**World War II**	**Club Inactive**
1946	W8ZUP	Frank Abrams KL7BV
1947	W8ZUP	Donald Perkins W8WZA
1948	W8ZUP	Fred Dupslaff W8DCN
1949	W8ZSQ	Bruce Weinert
1951	W8ZSQ	Robert Wimmer
1953	**Korean War**	**Club Inactive**
1955	W8ZSQ	George Jones
1956	W8PGW	Bruce Bevelheimer
1958	K8GRE	UNKNOWN
1960	Inactive	UNKNOWN
1962	Inactive	UNKNOWN
1965	K8TIG	William (Bill) Myers
1967	W8UM	Steve Culp K8QKY
1969	W8UM	UNKNOWN
1970	W8PGW	James Henderson
1972	W8UM	James Kraemer WB8OSN
1974	W8UM	John Tedescu WB8EIC
1976	W8UM	UNKNOWN
1978	W8UM	Frederick Bartolomei (aka Fred Bart)
1980	W8UM	John Ackerman N8UR
1982	W8UM	Mark Travaglini WD8DPA
1984	W8UM	Al Plant KM8I
1986	W8UM	Steve Sponseller N8DKJ

1987	W8UM	E. Joe Tillo II WD8DDX	**1988**	W8UM	UNKNOWN
1989	W8UM	UNKNOWN	**1990**	W8UM	UNKNOWN
1991	W8UM	UNKNOWN	**1992**	W8UM	UNKNOWN
1993	W8UM	Greg DeMaggio	1994	W8UM	Greg DeMaggio
1995	W8UM	Adam Thodey	**1996**	W8UM	UNKNOWN
1997	W8UM	UNKNOWN	**1998**	W8UM	UNKNOWN
1999	W8UM	UNKNOWN	**2000**	W8UM	UNKNOWN
2001	W8UM	UNKNOWN	2002	W8UM	Chris Gailbraith W1XG
2003	W8UM	Richard French KD8APA	2004	W8UM	Jonathan Suen KG6K
2005	W8UM	Lora Schulwitz KC8UDG	2006	W8UM	Rex Brown KC8ZSA
2007	W8UM	Rex Brown KC8ZSA	2008	W8UM	Rex Brown KC8ZSA
2009	W8UM	Jonathan White	2010	W8UM	Justin Paupore KD8PHY
2011	W8UM	Justin Paupore KD8PHY	2012	W8UM	Chunpeng Wang BG6CCQ / KD8MLS

**** 2013: Centennial Anniversary of "Wireless" Telegraphy ****

2013	W8UM	Jameson Eisele KD8PIJ	2014	W8UM	Jameson Eisele KD8PIJ
2015	W8UM	Justin Paupore AC8PK	2016	W8UM	Stuart Carlson W8SRC
2017	W8UM	Kit Ng N9KIT	2018	W8UM	Kit Ng N9KIT & Rachel Norris KD0QYA
2019	W8UM	Kit Ng N9KIT	2020	W8UM	Michael Fluegemann KE8AQW