## S.M.A.R.T.

## (Southwest Michigan Amateur Radio Team)

The SMART club is based in the Kalamazoo area and was founded in 1958. We have just celebrated over 60 years of activities and support of local hams through the club and it's members. The club owns and supports three repeaters: a 2m repeater at 147.04, a 70cm repeater at 444.875, and a 6m repeater at 51.720. We also have two remote sites, one in Paw Paw and the other in Richland.

The 2 meter repeater is connected to the Allstar and EchoLink systems. While the 70cm repeater is connected to the West Michigan System Fusion network on Wires-X room 21335. The tower, antennas and equipment are located at a site off West Main st. on the west side of Kalamazoo County which gives a large foot print of coverage.

The club meets on the 2nd Saturday each month at a local restaurant for a social breakfast followed by a business meeting. The gathering typically goes from 7:00 am with the meeting starting at 8:30am. Our annual meeting for the election of club officers occurs at the February meeting. This corresponds to our membership year which is February-February.

Our club cooperates and partners with the other Kalamazoo club, the KARC. Jointly we support activities such as the Kalamazoo Hamfest, local ARRL Field Day activities as well as local public service events.

A membership form for SMART is included below. We hope you are interested in joining the club and would love to have you join us in our activities. Please complete this form, or a copy of it, and send it, along with your membership fee to Wayne Meinema 10074 Rosemary Ln, Kalamazoo, MI 49009

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