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*Preparedness drill has amateurs...*

## Hammin' it up at Rodeo Park

BY CHUCK VANDENBERG  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – They slide into their cramped trailers filled with computers, radio equipment, a soda scattered about here and there, and maybe a snack, and they sit trying to hook-up with other people doing the same thing around the world.

They're not hackers, although some could envision hackers doing the same thing. These are ham radio operators binging on their radio set-ups to try and connect with people around the world from Fort Madison's Rodeo Park New Lion Shelter house.

About four trailers and a large generator are parked in the gravel just off Airport Road and antenna wires are strung across the northern part of the park about 25 feet in the air.

The operators were on hand for a 24-hour emergency preparedness drill beginning Saturday at 1 p.m. and running through Sunday at 1 p.m. sponsored by American Radio Relay League. Locally the event was supported by the Lee County Emergency Management Agency.

Steve Cirinna, Lee County Emergency Management Agency coordinator, said he works with the group annually to put on the preparedness drill so in the event regular communications go down, the area has workable communication systems.

"If we ever need emergency communications this is where I'll come. If anything fails, we've got these guys," Cirinna said.

He said the National Weather Service out of the Quad Cities actually has a ham radio station and most of those folks there are ham radio operators. The state emergency operations center in Des Moines also has a complete ham radio communication center.



Photos by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Front, Larry Newby logs contacts on a computer, as Jim Livengood, rear, works the Morse Code equipment looking for other CW, or continuous wave operators, as part of Saturday's ham radio preparedness drills in Fort Madison.



Michael Robins of West Point helps his son Tristan, 9, communicate with another ham radio operator as part of the Fort Madison Amateur Radio Club's 24-hour preparedness drill on Saturday at Rodeo Park.

“*If we ever need emergency communications this where I'll come. If anything fails, we've got these guys.*”

-Steve Cirinna,  
LCEMA Coordinator

“We just went through this with a table top exercise on a New Madrid Fault situation,” Cirinna said. “Obviously you'd have damaged infrastructure and power

lines, and when all that stuff goes out and we need someone up and running and get communications going, it's gonna be these guys.”

John Hobart, a ham operator from Warsaw, Ill., who's part of the Fort Madison Amateur Radio Club, said the radios allow local to worldwide communication.

Hobart said he's been licensed since 1977 and has been going to this annual event since 1983. He said he's never been called into action with his system, which he said is valued at more than \$10,000. He said it's a hobby like any other.

“Sometimes I'm on hours a day and other times I go a month without ever getting on.”

Technology has taken the primitive radio system

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## Local News/Business News

# Rotary to wrap up 100K campaign next week

*Editor's Note: This story has been updated to reflect the rescheduling of the event to next Sunday, July 30.*

**BY CHUCK VANDENBERG**  
PCC EDITOR

FORT MADISON – The Fort Madison Rotary’s 100K in 100 Days fundraising campaign wraps up next Sunday with the group’s annual Picnic in the Park.

At last tally the fundraising effort is right at \$70,000 and Rotary officials are hoping to get one last push for the fundraiser at the annual summer picnic.

Current Rotary President Jan Garza said the picnic has become a tradition of fun and excitement for the community.

The Fort Madison Rotary Club took on the maintenance and upkeep of Central Park many years ago and the club has sponsored the annual Picnic in the Park since 2010,” Garza said.

“Food, fun, and entertainment has been a fun way for Rotarians to include the community in keeping Central Park, the bandstand, and the fountain in good repair.”

The funds this year are specifically important because city officials, on a regular inspection, discovered heavy termite damage in the parks’ band shell. The city band holds Sunday concerts in the structure throughout the summer and was built just over a decade ago. The club also sponsors one of the city band’s performances each year.

“This year, termite infestation was found throughout the foundation of the bandstand. Repairs and refurbishment would cost well over funds available, so the community and local businesses were encouraged to be a part of saving the bandstand,” Garza said.

“There are needs in other areas at the park to be met as well and estimates were also received for these areas. With this in mind, and with the Fort Madison Rotary Club gearing up to celebrate it’s 100th year of service in 2020; they decided to initiate the \$100,000 in 100 days



campaign. If the funds received are more than the final cost of this major project, the remaining funds will be put in the Central Park Maintenance Account for future needs.

Other funding will be placed in the Central Park’s Maintenance Account for future needs, which could include upgrading lighting and seating in the park, refurbishing the fountain and the Statue of Liberty monument on the parks southeast side.

A suggested \$5 free will donation will cover the costs of dinner which will include grilled offerings, sides and a beverages. PAW Animal Shelter will once again be on hand selling root beer floats. The picnic runs from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. with local entertainment.

A raffle will be held once again with prizes being raffled off at the end of the picnic including St. Louis Cardinal tickets, cabin rentals, wine baskets and Kingsley Inn stayover including dinner at River Rocks, and more. Raffle tickets will be \$10 each or six for \$50. You don’t need to be present to win.

# Oltmans gets National Institute scholarship

SUBMITTED ARTICLE

WASHINGTON D.C. – Institute for Organization Management, the professional development program of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, is pleased to announce that Shelley Oltmans, Executive Director, of the Keokuk Area Chamber of Commerce, has recently completed her third year at Institute for Organization Management, a four-year non-profit leadership training program at Midwest in Madison.

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## For the Record/Lottery Numbers

### For the Record

#### Fort Madison Police Report

06/19/19 – 1:55 a.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Toni Rae Inman, 25, of Fort Madison in the 600 block of 8th Street for driving under suspension. She was released upon citation.

06/19/19 – 6:12 a.m. – Fort Madison Police cited Franklin James McCollum, 23, of Fort Madison, in the 1400 block of Avenue I, for criminal trespass. He was released upon citation.

06/19/19 – 7:53 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1900 block of Avenue J. 06/19/19 – 9:01 a.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Rebecca Sue Billing, 33, of Fort Madison, in the 1400 block of 34th Street, on a warrant and charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of a controlled substance. She was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

06/19/19 – 10:04 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a shoplifter in the 1800 block of Avenue H.

06/19/19 – 3:22 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a shoplifter in the 1800 block of Avenue H. 06/19/19 – 3:27 p.m. – Fort Madison Police arrested Donald Wayne Hendrix, 62, of Fort Madison in the 1800 block of Avenue H, on two counts of theft and a charge of public intoxication. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

06/20/19 – 6:01 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1400 block of Avenue I.

06/20/19 – 6:08 p.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a larceny/theft in the 1500 block of Avenue E.

06/20/19 – 6:58 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a burglary in the 1400 block of Avenue I.

06/21/19 – 7:00 a.m. – Fort Madison Police responded to a report of a hit and run in the 2500 block of Hwy. 61.

#### Lee County Sheriff's Report

06/18/19 – 2:04 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Brandon Allan Erb, 34, of New London, at the sheriff's office on two warrants for violation of probation. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

06/18/19 – 11:02 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Juston Roy Brock, 40, of Ketchikan, Ark., in the 1000 block of Hwy. 218 on a charge of OWI-2nd offense. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and held.

06/19/19 – 6:53 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies responded to a one-vehicle accident on Hwy. 61 near milemarker 25. A vehicle driven by Jacob Kenneth Tarrence, 24, of Keokuk lost control in heavy rain and slid off the roadway into the embankment. No injuries or citations were reported at the scene.

06/19/19 – 6:45 p.m. – Lee

County Sheriff's deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident in the 1600 block of Hwy. 218. A vehicle driven by Quincy Andra Smith, 47, of Perry, was headed southbound on 218 in the outside lane and a vehicle driven by Duane Earl Dixon, 29, of Burlington was in the inside lane when a semi turned onto 218 and was getting up to speed. Dixon moved into the outside lane and scratched Smith's vehicle. Dixon was cited for no insurance. No injuries were reported.

06/20/19 – 10:22 a.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested Colby Matthew Manning, 26, of Keokuk in the 2200 block of Bank Street, on a warrant for violation of probation and charges of possession of methamphetamine less than five grams, interference with official acts, controlled substance violation, and driving while barred. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on bond.

06/20/19 – 3:12 p.m. – Lee County Sheriff's deputies arrested David Duane Burdette, 54, of Donnellson, in the 3100 block of Avenue L in Fort Madison on charges of driving while barred, operating without registration/plates, and no insurance. He was taken to the Lee County Jail and released on a promise to appear.

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**6/21 EVENING**  
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## Sports

## Hounds split at Davenport

BY ETHAN LILLARD  
PCC SPORTS

DAVENPORT- For the first time this season, Fort Madison baseball dropped three games in a row after falling in game one of a doubleheader 8-1 to Davenport North. The Bloodhounds then rallied and picked up game No. 2 by the final of 4-2.

Coming off a doubleheader that saw the Hounds get swept by Washington by a combined 21-0, Fort Madison needed to rebound in a big way. They did, but not in game one.

The Bloodhounds actually snatched the momentum first in the top of the second inning after Jace Burgher got on base with a walk and later came around to score on a Kane Williams single. The momentum was short-lived, as Davenport North then put together a four-run home-half of the inning to take the lead.

Davenport added two more runs in the bottom of the fourth thanks to a walk, two singles, a sacrifice fly and a double. The final run came the next inning after an error and a double helped secure the 8-1 lead that Davenport North would hold until the end.

Jordyn Gerdes was hit with the loss in game one, going five innings on 94 pitches, allowing nine hits and three earned runs. Gerdes struck out two and walked two. Garrett Hannum came on for an inning of relief, giving up just one hit and one walk.

Fort Madison collected the two runs of

the game again in the second contest of the double bill. Vasin Thurman singled in the top of the second, before Landes Williams followed with a single of his own. A double from Burgher in the next at-bat cleared the bases and gave Fort Madison the 2-0 advantage.

Reed Fehseke started off the third with a double and was brought around to score on a Vasin Thurman two-out single that extended the lead to 3-0.

Fehseke again sparked a score for the Hounds in the top of the fifth, reaching base on an error by the Davenport North shortstop. A Gerdes single moved Fehseke to third, before Thurman again came up clutch. Thurman hit a hard hit ball to short that was mishandled again, allowing Fehseke to score for the 4-0 lead.

Davenport North responded with a run in the bottom of the fifth and one more in the bottom of the sixth, but it wasn't enough, as Fort Madison went on to win by the final of 4-2.

Vasin Thurman and Burgher led the way for the Bloodhounds with two RBIs each. Landes Williams picked up the win, throwing 73 pitches over five innings. Williams allowed just two hits and one earned run while striking out four batters. Fehseke came on in relief for two innings of work, throwing 12 pitches and allowing just a single hit.

Fort Madison is now 9-10 on the year and will next take on Southeast conference foe Fairfield in another doubleheader Monday back at Fort Madison High School.

## Fishing picks up as water clears

DES MOINES – The following is the weekly fishing report from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources for southeast Iowa.

**Big Hollow Lake**

Water clarity continues to improve, but is still cloudy. Largemouth Bass – Fair: Anglers are picking up a few bass in 5 to 6 feet of water around the flooded timber. Bluegill – Good: Anglers had been picking up pretty good numbers of bluegills before last week's heavy rains; a few nice dry days of weather should bring that fishing back. Black Crappie – Fair: Look for crappies out in the trees and brush piles in 6 to 7 feet of water.

**Iowa River (Columbus Junction to Mississippi River)**

The Iowa has dropped another 6 inches; it's about 3 foot below bank full level now. Channel Catfish – Good: Now that it's easier to safely get out on the river, the water remains more than deep enough to get a boat back to the fish.

**Lake Belva Deer**

The water is still a little cloudy. Water temperature is in the mid-70's. Largemouth Bass – Fair: Look for bass around the mounds in the deeper water at the upper end and back in the flooded timber in the lower half of the lake. Bluegill – Fair: Work your way into the openings in the weed beds to find some nice bluegills.

**Lake Darling**

The lake level came back up after the weekend's heavy rains. Water clarity stayed about 3 feet. Water temperature is right around 74 degrees. Largemouth Bass – Fair: Find bass in the post-spawn hideout around the thicker cover in 6-8 feet of water around the rock piles. Bluegill – Good: Find bluegills on the beds, as well as in around 4-6 feet of water around brush and rock piles. Channel Catfish – Fair: Catfish are spawning; find them along the shorelines in the rip-rap.

**Lost Grove Lake**

Water clarity is still a little cloudy; it would help if the rains were a little less frequent. Largemouth Bass – Fair: Anglers continue to catch bass; work them out along the edges of the weed beds and around the trees and brush piles in 4-6 feet of water. Black Crappie – Fair: Anglers are starting to pick up a few more crappies around edges of the flooded timber in 8 to 10 feet of water. Bluegill – Good: Bluegills continue to spawn. Look for them in the openings in the weed beds and in small clearings in shallow water in the brush. Channel Catfish – Fair: Catfish are wrapping up spawning activities.



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**Sports**

# FM girls can't rebound from 12-inning loss

**BY ETHAN LILLARD**  
PCC SPORTS

FORT MADISON- For those that aren't aware, high school baseball and softball games are always scheduled for seven innings. After game one of a doubleheader Thursday night at Fort Madison High School, Washington and the Bloodhounds had 12 innings under their belt and still had an entire second game to play.

**GAME ONE**

Fort Madison led for a majority of the first contest with starting pitcher Cassie Powers dealing from the circle to begin the game.

Powers held Washington to just one hit through the first two innings, allowing her team to take the lead in the home-half of the second. The bottom of the order delivered for the Hounds, as the seven through nine batters each reached base safely in Kylee Cashman, Jasmine Bass and Vanessa Golowach.

Logan Johnson came back to the plate with the top of the order and the bases loaded with one out. Johnson hit a pop fly and reached base safely on a Washington fielding error, as Cashman came in to score and give the Hounds the 1-0 lead.

The one run was just enough to keep Fort Madison ahead as Powers held the Demons to four hits until the top of the seventh inning.

Powers started off the top of the seventh with a strikeout before a single

and a walk led to another single that plated Washington's first run of the game. With a runner at third, a groundout the following at bat gave the Demons the 2-1 lead, before another run came around to score on a wild pitch to give Washington a 3-1 lead heading into the final half inning of the game.

Again, it was the bottom of the lineup coming up clutch for Fort Madison. Golowach singled, Johnson doubled and Ivy Geerdes hit a sacrifice groundout to plate Golowach and cut the lead to one run.

Olivia Williams followed with a hard hit ball to second and reached on an error, as Johnson came in to score and tie the game at three, forcing extra innings after Washington got out of the jam in the bottom of the seventh.

Again the Hounds started the top of the inning with an out, but back-to-back singles from Washington in the top of the eighth led to a bases clearing double that gave Washington the 5-3 lead. Powers would retire the side and the Hounds were on the hook for runs again.

Cashman walked in the bottom of the eighth, before Bass singled and moved Cashman to third. Golowach then hit a sacrifice groundout to trim the deficit to 5-4. Geerdes again came through with two outs, hitting a single to score Bass and extend the game to the ninth

inning.

Both teams went scoreless for three-straight innings, before Washington plated three runs in the top of the 12th inning, putting the pressure on Fort Madison.

Geerdes hit a one out single and Olivia Williams walked, bringing the tying run to the plate for Fort Madison with one out. Unfortunately for the Bloodhounds, Washington shut the door on the comeback, going on to win by the final of 8-5.

"(Powers) did good," Rehm said. "After awhile she had 11 hits so I figured she was getting timed up so I put Katie (Dennis) in to try to close it out."

Geerdes led the way for the Hounds with two RBIs on a 3-for-6 day at the plate. Cashman scored two runs and was 1 for 4 with two walks. Dennis was hit with the loss in her three innings of relief, allowing four hits and two earned runs. Powers tossed 146 pitches over her nine innings, giving up 11 hits and five earned runs. Powers struck out 12 batters and walked just three.

**GAME TWO**

The Hounds again drew first blood in game No. 2. Dayln Wondra plated the first run of the game for Fort Madison in the bottom of the first on a single for the 1-0 lead. That would be the extent of the momentum in game two for Fort Madison.

Washington responded with back-to-back singles



Photo by Chuck Vandenberg/PCC

Fort Madison's Cassie Powers throws to Ivy Geerdes covering first on a bunt-attempt by Washington in the first game of the double header. The Hounds lost 8-5 in 12 innings in the first game and lost 12-2 in the nightcap.

before a wild pitch and an error helped the Demons take a 2-1 lead. A double followed by a walk put Washington in front 3-1, before a sacrifice groundout and a single bumped the lead to 5-1.

Dennis was hit by a pitch in the bottom of the

second and Golowach reached base safely on an error to put runners on the corners for Fort Madison with one out. Williams hit a sacrifice groundout the next at bat for the Hounds' second run of the game, but it would prove to be the

final run in game two for Fort Madison.

Washington followed its five-run inning with a six-run inning in the top of the third, gaining an 11-2 lead and crushing any hopes of the Bloodhounds splitting the double header.



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**Lee County**  
**Conservation Board**  
**Special Meeting**  
**Agenda**  
**June 25, 2019**  
**4:00 p.m.**  
**Lee County**  
**Conservation Center**  
**2652 Highway 61**  
**Montrose, IA 52639**

1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes from June 11, 2019.
3. Consider approval of resolution supporting exploration of a possible conservation improvement project to enhance pool 19 and naming Jim Noll as liaison to help coordinate the Pool 19 conservation improvement project discussions.
4. Adjournment  
 Next regular meeting will

be July 9, 2019  
 Hearing and vision assistance available upon request.  
 Citizens are welcome to all LCCB meetings.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**Lee County, Iowa**  
**Board of Supervisors**  
**Agenda**  
**DATE: TUESDAY,**  
**June 25, 2019**  
**MEETING**  
**CONVENING TIME:**  
**9:00 A.M.**  
**LOCATION:**  
**Correctional Center**  
**2530 255th Street,**  
**Montrose, IA**

**AGENDA**

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Approve Agenda
- Approve Tuesday, June 18, 2019 Board Minutes

Consider Approval of Claims  
 Public Input  
 Consider Approval of Fiscal Agent Agreement with Children First  
 Discuss and Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding and Resolution Proposed and Approved by Southeast Iowa Link Mental Health and Disability Services Region for Designated CEO Wage and Benefit Management  
 Consider Approval of Renewal Agreement with Century Link for PRI Lines  
 Consider Approval of Resolution Appropriating Funds for Fiscal Year 2020  
 Consider Third Reading of Ragbrai Ordinance  
 Consider Approval of Class C Liquor License for Iowa Beer Bus, West Point  
 Consider Approval of Class C Liquor License for Sassy Slushy, Donnellson  
 Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Administrative and Secondary Roads Unions Changing Bereavement Leave  
 Consider Approval of Change to Bereavement Language in Personnel Policy  
 Consider Allowing Chair to Electronically Sign Interconnection Agreements with Alliant for Solar Project  
 Consider Approval of Publication of Wages for

Fiscal Year 2020 Personnel Actions:  
 A. Merit Increase-Assessor's Office  
 B. Merit Increase-Attorney's Office (2)  
 C. New Hire-Attorney's Office (Victim Witness Coordinator)  
 D. Step Increase-Auditor's Office  
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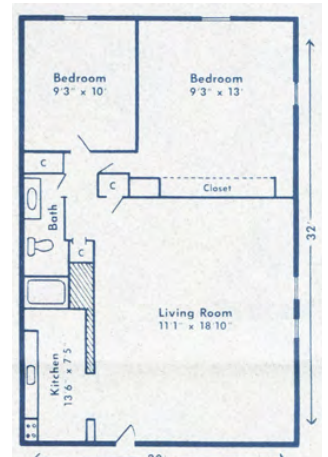
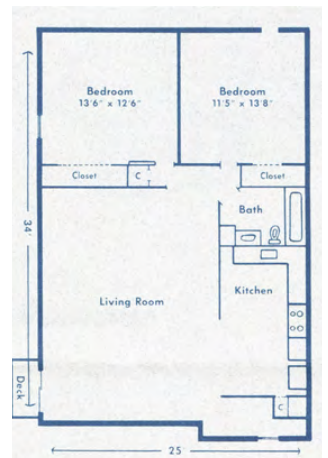


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## From the Front/Weather

# Ham radio operators are vital in natural disasters

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into the digital world.

"We can take a router and redo the programming and make it work within our ham frequency and we can use that over the air. It's more private over our own intranet, and we can interface that over an Internet setup," Hobart said.

"We're just getting started with it but we can relay to another local and so on. We could set up a video in an emergency situation to show what's going on."

Dave Haworth of Fort Madison got licensed in 1960 just out of junior high on a temporary basis and then in 1991 got back into the hobby.

"The general purpose of this weekend is to practice for emergency preparedness," Haworth said. "We always hear about Hurricane Katrina and the ham radio operators were the only voice to the outside world."

Haworth said the ham radio operators were called into action during the 1993 floods to help take some of the burden off local emergency response teams to help relay some of the more basic information. He said that responsibility is why they do annual drills.

"We practice being prepared for total power outages and sometimes

total mayhem scenarios," he said.

"In the flood of 1993, ham radio operators up and down the river shadowed emergency services personnel. All the emergency services communication would be done through their radios, but when they got overwhelmed with other traffic, like Health and Welfare, they handed that off to us and we took care of that for them so they could concentrate on what they needed to do."

He said some ham operators will also work hand-in-hand with Red Cross officials during disaster relief efforts for welfare traffic.

The group uses off-the-grid power provided from the generator on-site and tries to see how many connections they can make throughout the country.

"We set up here and we're allowed to get on the air for 24 hours to see how many people and how far can we reach in 24 hours without plugging into the wall," Haworth said.

"It's partly a contest and partly for fun. We get points. Last year this club was one of the top point leaders in the Midwest for our class, which is 2A. That designation means two radios on auxiliary power."

Inside one of the trailers Michael Robins of West Point was teaching his nine-year-old son Tristan, how to make connections using call signs, letters, and a small black tuning dial. The contacts were then logged into a database that is tracked by the American Radio Relay League for points.

Tristan made several attempts and then finally made a contact. They don't carry on much of a conversation, but exchange call signs and class for the current contest.

"The goal is to get as many contacts as you can. That one came in loud and I made him jump on it and that's all it was. He gave us his information, which I already had by listening to him. We gave him ours and we confirmed it and logged it," the older Robins said.

He said usually the group has a GOTA radio,

which stands for Get On The Air, set up so anybody who came by could try it, but with the impending weather they didn't set that up this year.

Tristan doesn't have a license, but since his father, who's been licensed since 2005 was with him, the two were able to monitor the radio as a team.

The other two trailers

included a CW trailer, which is continuous wave signals, such as Morse Code, where the audio wave is a beep on or off.

Jim Livengood of Burlington and Larry Newby of Denmark were manning the station in the other small trailer, with Livengood wiggling a shiny morse code activator in response to a flurry of beeps coming in over a speaker.

Those two were also capturing connections

and logging them into the system.

The term "ham" has a checkered and storied past. Some say the name is actually an acronym, supposedly from the last names of the Harvard Radio Club members who started the first amateur radio stations. Albert Hyman, Bob Almy and Pookie Murray. Wikipedia says the term "ham" comes from the amateur nature of the operators.



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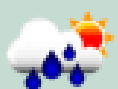
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